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Dear Readers:

Thank you for your concern regarding child abuse and neglect in Missouri. This report numerically represents all child abuse and neglect reports that were addressed by the Missouri Division of Family Services (DFS) in 2000. The report also includes a description of Missouri's unique, multiple-response system to addressing child abuse and neglect reports. Since 1994, DFS has worked to implement a more family-centered, community-based practice. Thanks to the successes of communities across the state, the 1999 Missouri General Assembly passed legislation that mandated the statewide implementation of this innovative practice.

Certainly, the enclosed report points to the continued need for strong community support for families. The Division of Family Services is devoted to ensuring the safety of children and, whenever possible, preserving families. Through ongoing support of committed citizens, we believe that our shared desires for Missouri's children and families will be realized.

Sincerely,

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Date: 08/06/2001
To: All Readers
From: Research and Evaluation Unit
Subject: Probable Cause Children by Category of Abuse/Neglect

The number of children by category of abuse/neglect reported in the Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect section has been miscounted during 1996 through 1999. Corrected numbers for these years are attached in Appendix H of this edition. We apologize for any inconvenience this inaccuracy may have caused.

If you have any questions, please call (573) 751-3060. Thank you.

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Introduction

Summary Statistics

This report compiles data collected by the Missouri Department of Social Services (DSS), Division of Family Services (DFS) in the course of Child Abuse and/or Neglect (CA/N) investigations/assessments.

Reports

- During 2000 there were 50,936 reports of child abuse/neglect, involving 79,693 children.

Total Number of Reports	50,936
Total Number of Reported Children	79,693

Probable Cause

- There were 6,871 probable cause reports, involving 9,854 children. This represents approximately thirteen percent (13%) of all reports.

Total Number of Probable Cause Reports	6,871
Total Number of Probable Cause Children	9,854

Family Assessment Approach

- Across the state, a total of 30,960 reports were screened Family Assessment (FA) in accordance with Senate Bill 595, which was signed into law in 1994 and expanded statewide in 1999. These reports involved 49,863 children.

Total Number of Services Needed Reports	11,921
Total Number of FA Reports	30,960
Total Number of FA Children	49,863

Note: All counts of children are duplicated because a child may be reported more than once during the year.

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Definitions

Legal:

The Missouri Child Abuse Law, Section 210.110 RSMo defines:

Abuse as any physical injury, sexual abuse, or emotional abuse inflicted on a child other than by accidental means by those responsible for the child's care, custody, and control except that discipline including spanking, administered in a reasonable manner shall not be construed to be abuse; and

Neglect as failure to provide, by those responsible for the care, custody, and control of the child, the proper or necessary support, education as required by law, nutrition or medical, surgical, or any other care necessary for the child's well-being.

Care, custody and control of the child, includes but is not limited to the parents or guardian of a child, other members of the child's household, or those exercising supervision over a child for any part of a twenty-four hour day. Those responsible for the care, custody and control shall also include any adult, who, based on their relationship to the parents of the child, members of the child's household or the family, has access to the child.

Investigation is the collection of physical and verbal evidence to determine if a child has been abused or neglected.

Family assessment and services is an approach which provides for a prompt assessment of a child and their family when the child has been reported to the DFS as a victim of abuse or neglect by a person responsible for that child's care, custody or control. Family assessments include the provision of community-based services to reduce the risk of abuse and neglect and to support the family. This approach takes the place of the traditional investigation.

Operational:

At the end of each child abuse/neglect investigation/assessment, the social worker reaches a conclusion. The following are operational definitions for investigative conclusions:

Probable Cause: A finding that abuse/neglect has occurred or is occurring as a result of the observation of visible signs, physical and/or credible verbal evidence provided to the Children's Services worker by the child, perpetrator or witnesses in accordance with the definitions of abuse/neglect. This also includes cases which are adjudicated by the courts.

Unsubstantiated-Preventive Services Indicated: A finding that insufficient visible signs, physical and/or credible evidence exist, but where the social worker determines that indicators are present which, if unresolved, could potentially contribute to child abuse/neglect.

Unsubstantiated: A finding that insufficient physical or credible verbal evidence exists and where few or no indicators are identified and the social worker has not identified a specific threat exists for the child.

The following are definitions for Family Assessment conclusions:

Services Needed: The family has an identified need for services. DFS will continue to work with the family after the assessment is completed and will continue providing services for some period of time.

Services Needed-Linked Initial 30 Days: The family has an identified need for community services. The identified services were linked with the family during the 30-day family assessment process. DFS will not continue working with the family when the family assessment process is completed. The social worker should contact referral providers to verify that the family is receiving services.

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Services Needed-Family Declined: The social service worker has identified a service that may be beneficial to the family; however, the family declined to receive the services. The child's safety has been assessed, and there is no evidence that warrants court intervention.

Services Not Needed: The family does not have an identified need for additional services. Families may be receiving services prior to the date of the hotline. Services Not Needed is used only when the family does not have additional service needs.

Non-cooperative/Child Safe: Enough information has been obtained to ensure that the child is safe; however, the family refuses to participate in the family assessment process and the allegations do not warrant a co-investigation with law enforcement or court involvement.

For a small number of reports, the above definitions are not applicable. Other conclusions for either investigations or assessments include **Unable to Locate**, **Inappropriate Report**, **Located Out of State** and **Home Schooling**.

Methodological:

The following are technical definitions used in the computations of the statistics throughout this report:

Reported incident: An allegation of child abuse/neglect made to the hotline which meets the legal definitions for abuse/neglect and for care, custody, and control. A reported incident may involve more than one child and more than one alleged perpetrator. The terms "report," "incident" and "reported incident" are used interchangeably throughout this report.

Incident conclusion: The Children's Services worker assigns a conclusion for each child and for each alleged perpetrator involved in an incident. If at least one child is found probable cause, the incident is considered to be found probable cause.

Incident category of abuse/neglect: Up to thirty-one categories of abuse/neglect can be assigned to each probable cause child. Each incident may have up to six categories of abuse/neglect because each child may be found probable cause for different types of abuse/neglect. For incidents involving more than one child, each category of abuse/neglect is counted once if at least one child was found probable cause for that category.

Reported child: A child named in a reported incident of child abuse/neglect. A child may be reported more than one time during the year, and unless otherwise indicated, counts of children are duplicated in this report.

Child conclusion: The Children's Services worker assigns a conclusion for each child involved in an incident. Some children in the report may be found probable cause while others may be unsubstantiated.

Child category of abuse/neglect: Each probable cause child may be assigned up to thirty-one categories of abuse/neglect.

Alleged perpetrator: A person named as the perpetrator in a reported incident of child abuse/neglect. An alleged perpetrator may be involved in more than one incident during the year. Unless otherwise indicated, counts of alleged perpetrators are duplicated in this report.

Alleged perpetrator conclusion: The Children's Services worker assigns a conclusion to each alleged perpetrator involved in an incident. One perpetrator in a report may be found probable cause while another may be unsubstantiated.

Reports and Investigations/Family Assessments

Reports to Child Abuse/Neglect Hotline

Over the past year, the Child Abuse/Neglect Hotline Unit (CANHU) received 50,936 reports of child abuse/neglect, involving 79,693 children. The CANHU is operated year-round on a 24 hours per day, seven days per week basis by 39 trained and experienced Children's Services workers. Missouri's toll-free number for reporting child abuse/neglect is **1-800-392-3738**.

When a call is received at the CANHU, information is analyzed to determine whether:

- the child is under age 18;
- the alleged perpetrator has care, custody and control of the child; and
- the report meets the legal definition of abuse and/or neglect as stipulated in 210.110, RSMo (see definitions on page 2).

Within moments of receiving a report, the information is forwarded electronically to one of the 114 county offices or the St. Louis City office for investigation. Investigations/assessments must be initiated within 24 hours or immediately when it is determined that the child is in imminent danger. An exception is when the only allegation is educational neglect. In this case, an investigation/assessment must be initiated within 72 hours. Social workers have 30 days to complete their investigations/assessments.

A call to the hotline is referred to as a report or reported incident of child abuse/neglect. A report may involve from one to several children. From 1996 to 1999, the number of incidents and children reported has consistently decreased. However, during 2000, the number of incidents and children reported has increased.

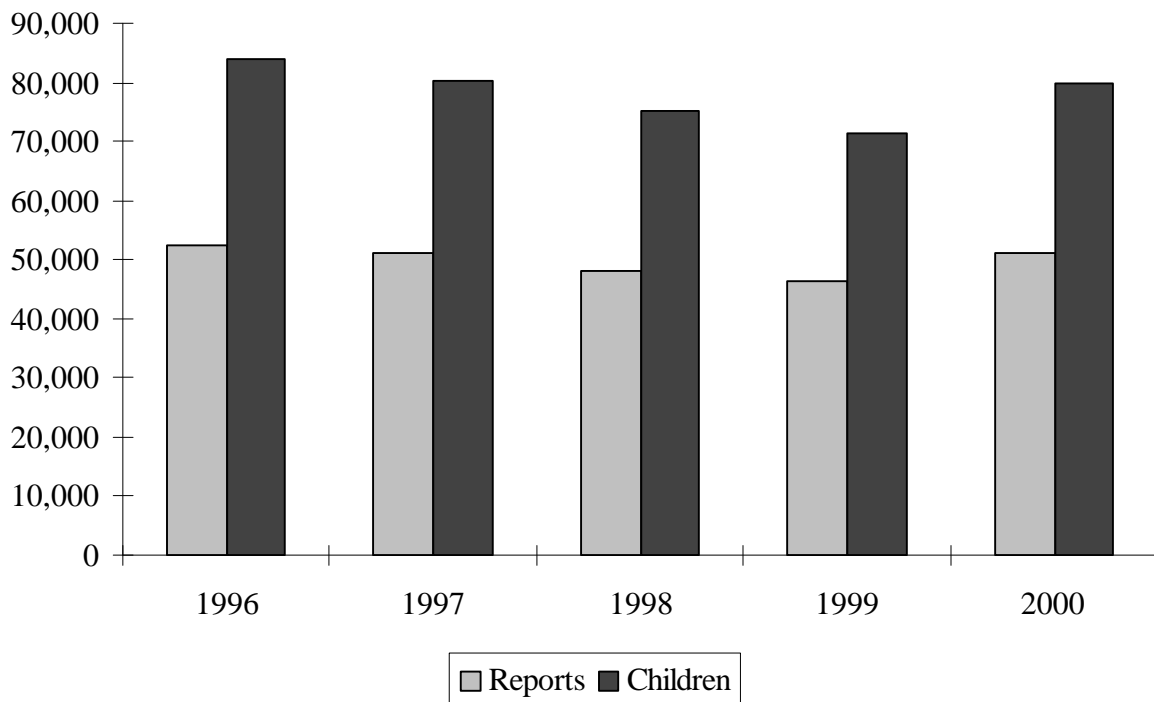
Incidents and Children Reported to the Child Abuse/Neglect Hotline and Annual Percent Change

<u>Year</u>	<u>Total Reports</u>	<u>Annual Change</u>	<u>Total Children</u>	<u>Annual Change</u>
1996	52,520		83,831	
1997	51,137	-2.6%	80,136	-4.4%
1998	48,075	-6.0%	75,157	-6.2%
1999	46,244	-3.8%	71,529	-4.8%
2000	50,936	10.1%	79,693	11.4%

Note: All counts of children are duplicated because a child may be reported more than once during the year.

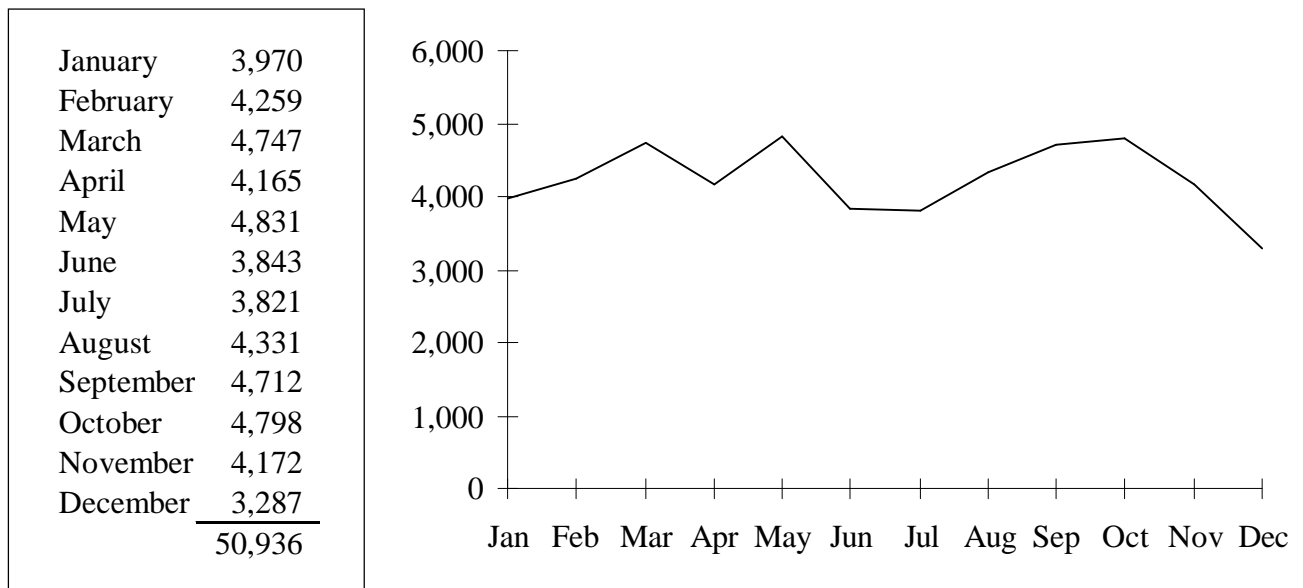
Reports and Investigations/Family Assessments

Incidents and Children Reported to the Child Abuse/Neglect Hotline, 1996-2000



- During 2000, the month with the most reports to the CA/N hotline was May with 4,831 reports, followed by October with 4,798. December had the fewest number of reports with 3,287.

2000 Child Abuse/Neglect Reports, by Month of Report



Reports and Investigations/Family Assessments

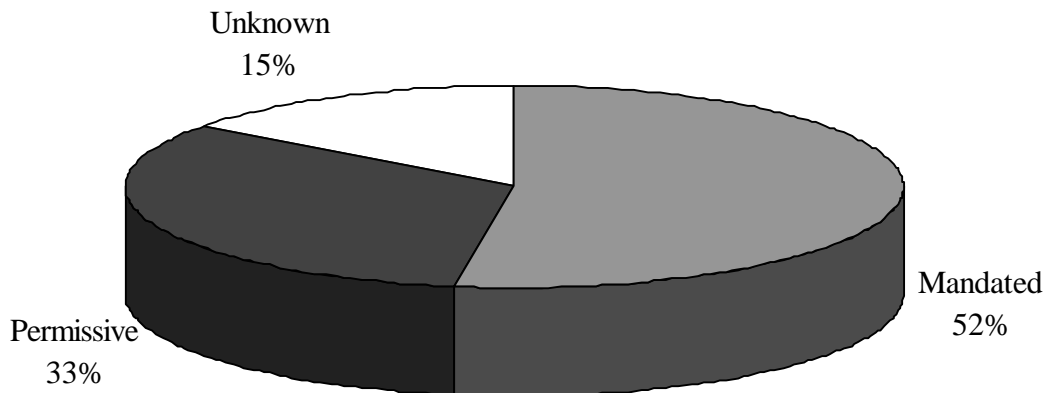
Reporters

Reports of child abuse/neglect can be made by persons who are either "mandated" or "permissive" reporters. Mandated reporters are required by state statute to report abuse/neglect when they have reasonable cause to suspect a child has been or is being abused. Mandated reporters include health and education professionals, social workers and foster parents, among others. Permissive reporters are those people not required to report suspected abuse/neglect, such as relatives or neighbors.

Effective August 28, 2000, the individuals required to report incidents of suspected child abuse/neglect increased to include "jail or detention center personnel". The jail or detention center personnel is defined as employees or volunteers working on the premises or institution where incarceration, evaluation, care, treatment, or rehabilitation is provided to persons who are being held under custody of the law, section 210.110, RSMo.

- Fifty-two percent (52%) of the reports made in 2000 were made by mandated reporters and thirty-three percent (33%) were made by permissive reporters.

**Child Abuse/Neglect Reporters, 2000
by Type of Reporter**



RSMo 210.115. Reports of abuse or neglect, who shall make. – When any physician, medical examiner, coroner, dentist, chiropractor, podiatrist, resident, intern, nurse, hospital and clinic personnel (engaged in examination, care or treatment of persons), and other health practitioner, psychologist, mental health professional, social worker, day care center worker or other child care worker, juvenile officer, probation or parole officer, jail or detention personnel, teacher, principal or other school official, Christian Science practitioner, peace officer or law enforcement official, or other person with responsibility for the care of children, has reasonable cause to suspect that a child has been or may be subjected to abuse or neglect or observes a child being subjected to conditions or circumstances which would reasonably result in abuse or neglect, he shall immediately report or cause a report to be made to the division in accordance with the provisions of sections 210.110 to 210.165.

Reports and Investigations/Family Assessments

- The most common mandated reporter occupations were social workers, followed by law enforcement officers and school officials.

Reporters of Child Abuse/Neglect by Occupation, 2000

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Permissive	17,518	32.9%
Unknown	7,743	14.6%
Social worker	6,569	12.3%
Peace officer or law enforcement official	5,428	10.2%
Principal or other school official	5,069	9.5%
Mental health professional	2,790	5.2%
Nurse	2,374	4.5%
Other person with responsibility for care of children	1,489	2.8%
Physician	956	1.8%
Juvenile officer	898	1.7%
Teacher	721	1.4%
Day care center or other child care worker	678	1.3%
Psychologist	399	0.7%
Foster parents	151	0.3%
Other hospital/clinic personnel	136	0.3%
Probation or parole officer	109	0.2%
Other health practitioner	79	0.1%
Medical examiner	32	0.1%
Dentist/Dental hygienist	16	0.0%
Intern	16	0.0%
Coroner	14	0.0%
Jail or detention personnel	8	0.0%
Resident	7	0.0%
Chiropractor	2	0.0%
Optometrist	1	0.0%
Christian Science practitioner	1	0.0%
	<u>53,204</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

Note: Reporters exceed reports because more than one person may report an incident.

Reports and Investigations/Family Assessments

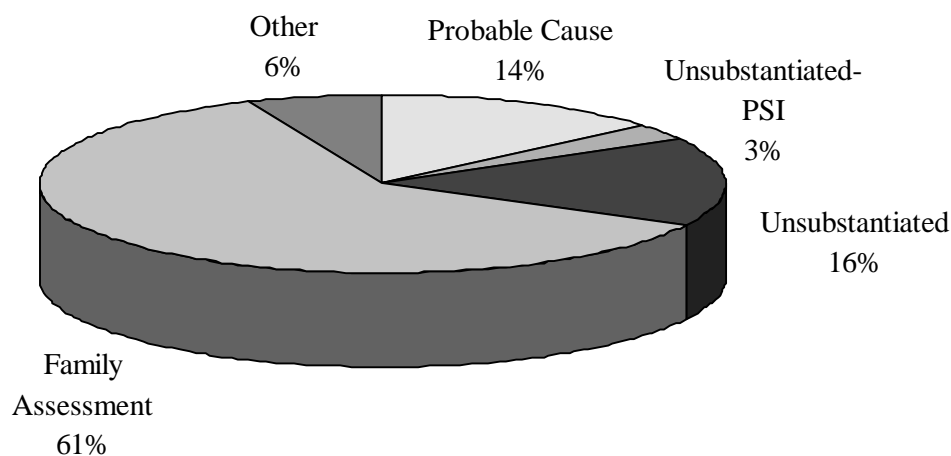
Child Abuse/Neglect Investigations/Family Assessments

Children's Services workers investigate/assess each report to determine if abuse/neglect is occurring or has occurred and evaluate the family's need for services. Thorough investigations/assessments require hours of interviews and information collection, and usually include the major steps listed below:

- Contacting the reporter, if known, for additional information before proceeding with the investigation;
- Contacting appropriate law enforcement personnel or multidisciplinary team members to request a co-investigation if the alleged report, if true, would constitute a violation of the law;
- Making a determination regarding the safety of the children within 24 hours;
- Contacting collateral persons;
- Interviewing witnesses;
- Interviewing the non-offending parent;
- Interviewing the alleged perpetrator(s);
- Evaluating and documenting all information collected and observed;
- Determining whether abuse/neglect has occurred or is occurring; and
- Evaluating the family's need for services and making appropriate referrals for needed services.

DFS policy requires completion of investigations/assessments within 30 days. When the Children's Services worker determines that there is probable cause to believe that abuse/neglect has occurred, or is occurring, the family is advised of available services. The family also is offered services when the investigative conclusion is Unsubstantiated-Preventive Services Indicated or when a Family Assessment indicates the need for services.

Reported Incidents by Conclusion, 2000

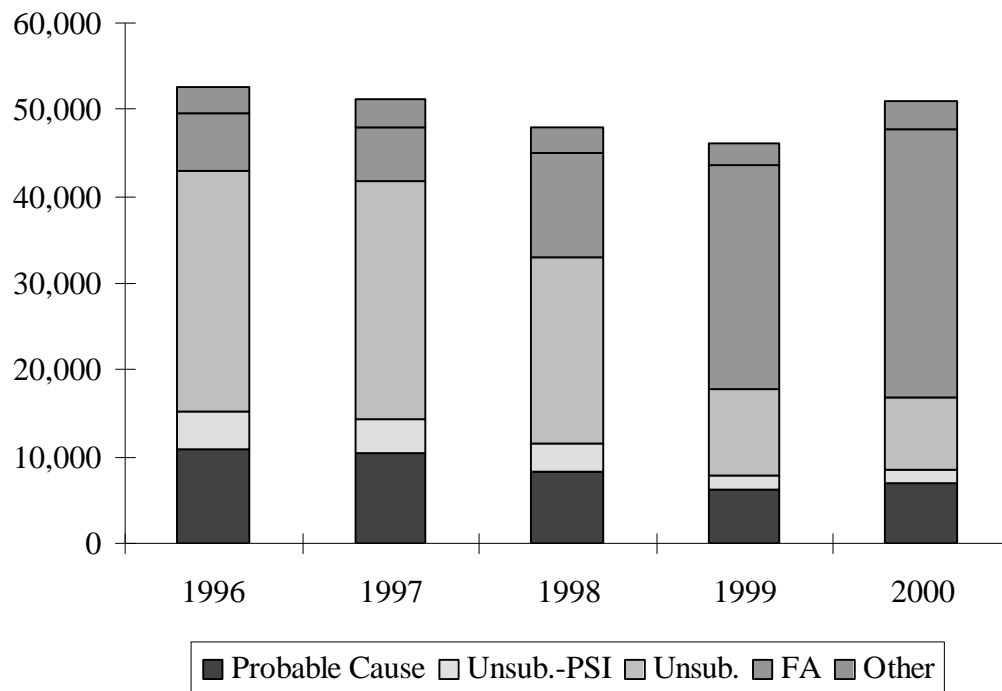


Reports and Investigations/Family Assessments

Reported Incidents by Conclusion 1996 - 2000

	Probable Cause		Unsubstantiated- PSI		Unsubstantiated		Family Assessment*		Other		Total
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
1996	10,941	20.8%	4,192	8.0%	27,825	53.0%	6,717	7.5%	2,845	5.4%	52,520
1997	10,382	20.3%	3,939	7.7%	27,359	53.5%	6,364	12.4%	3,093	6.0%	51,137
1998	8,402	17.5%	3,083	6.4%	21,585	44.9%	11,930	24.8%	3,075	6.4%	48,075
1999	6,257	13.5%	1,560	3.4%	9,853	21.3%	25,950	56.1%	2,624	5.7%	46,244
2000	6,871	13.5%	1,653	3.2%	8,222	16.1%	30,960	60.8%	3,230	6.3%	50,936

Reported Incidents by Conclusion 1996 - 2000



Conclusions are as follows:

Probable Cause - Court Adjudicated and Probable Cause

Unsub.-PSI - Unsubstantiated-Preventive Services Indicated

Unsub. - Unsubstantiated

FA - Family Assessment: Services Needed, Services Not Needed, Non-cooperative/Child Safe, Services Needed-Linked Initial 30 Days, and Services Needed-Family Declined

Other - Unable to Locate, Inappropriate Report, Located Out of State and Home Schooling

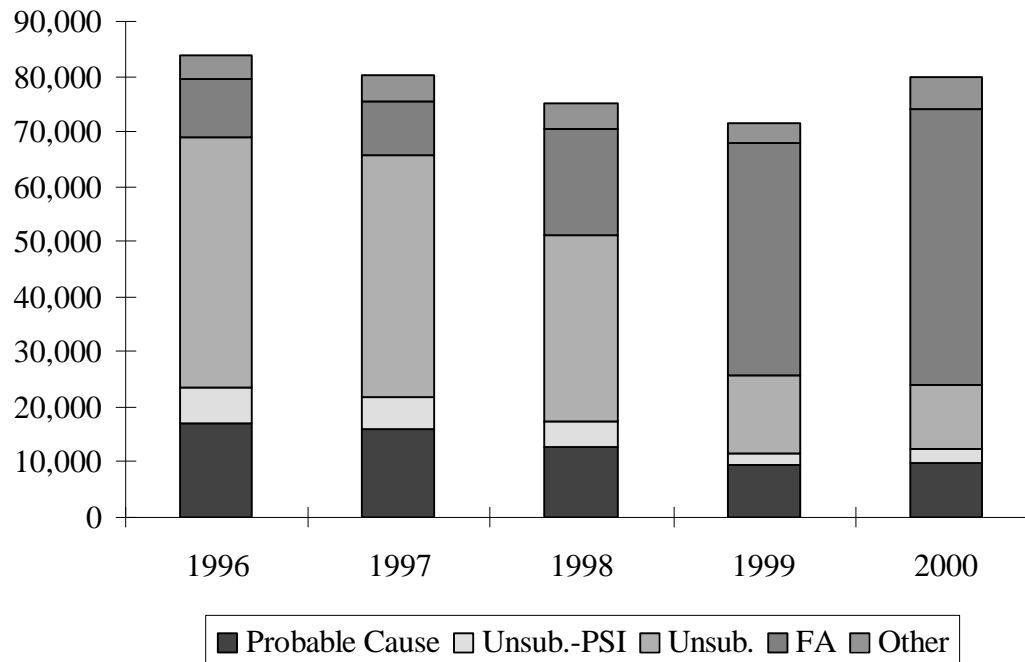
*The 2000 breakout of Family Assessment incidents by conclusions can be found in Appendix C.

Reports and Investigations/Family Assessments

Reported Children by Conclusion 1996 - 2000

	Probable Cause		Unsubstantiated- PSI		Unsubstantiated		Family Assessment*		Other		Total
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
1996	17,145	20.5%	6,460	7.9%	45,430	54.2%	10,587	7.7%	4,209	5.6%	83,831
1997	15,885	19.8%	5,990	7.5%	43,721	54.6%	10,046	12.5%	4,494	5.6%	80,136
1998	12,789	17.0%	4,505	6.0%	33,998	45.2%	19,233	25.6%	4,632	6.2%	75,157
1999	9,272	13.0%	2,206	3.1%	14,283	20.0%	41,926	58.6%	3,842	5.4%	71,529
2000	9,854	12.4%	2,379	3.0%	11,761	14.8%	49,863	62.6%	5,836	7.3%	79,693

Reported Children by Conclusion 1996 - 2000



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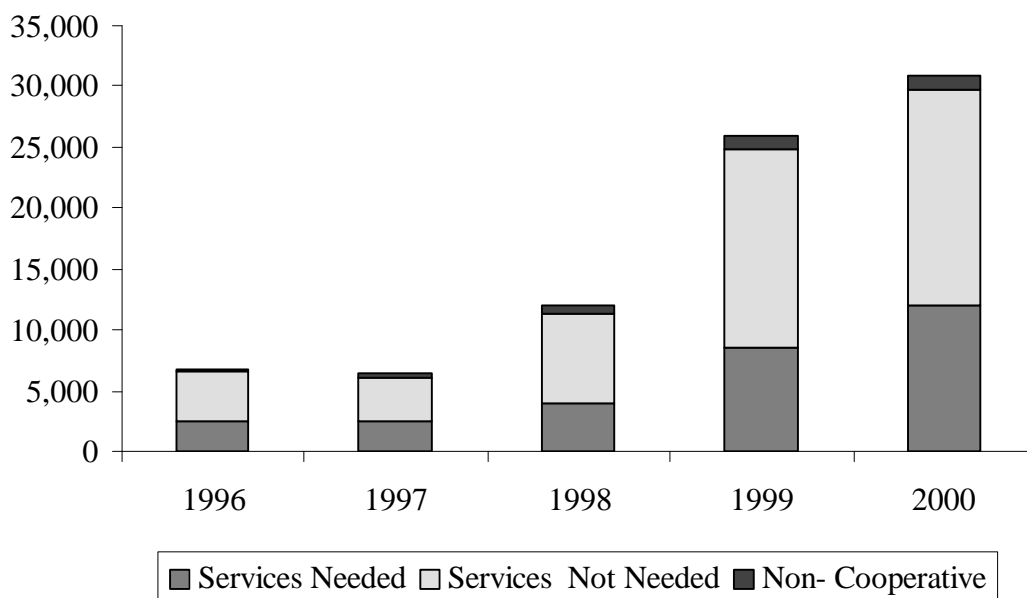
* The 2000 breakout of reported children of Family Assessment incidents by conclusions can be found in Appendix D.

Reports and Investigations/Family Assessments

**Reported Incidents by FA Conclusion
1996-2000**

	Services Needed		Services Not Needed		Non-Cooperative		Total
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
1996	2,449	36.5%	4,068	60.6%	200	3.0%	6,717
1997	2,543	40.0%	3,616	56.8%	205	3.2%	6,364
1998	3,947	33.1%	7,415	62.2%	568	4.8%	11,930
1999	8,519	32.8%	16,270	62.7%	1,161	4.5%	25,950
2000	11,921	38.5%	17,873	57.7%	1,166	3.8%	30,960

**Reported Incidents by FA Conclusion
1996-2000**



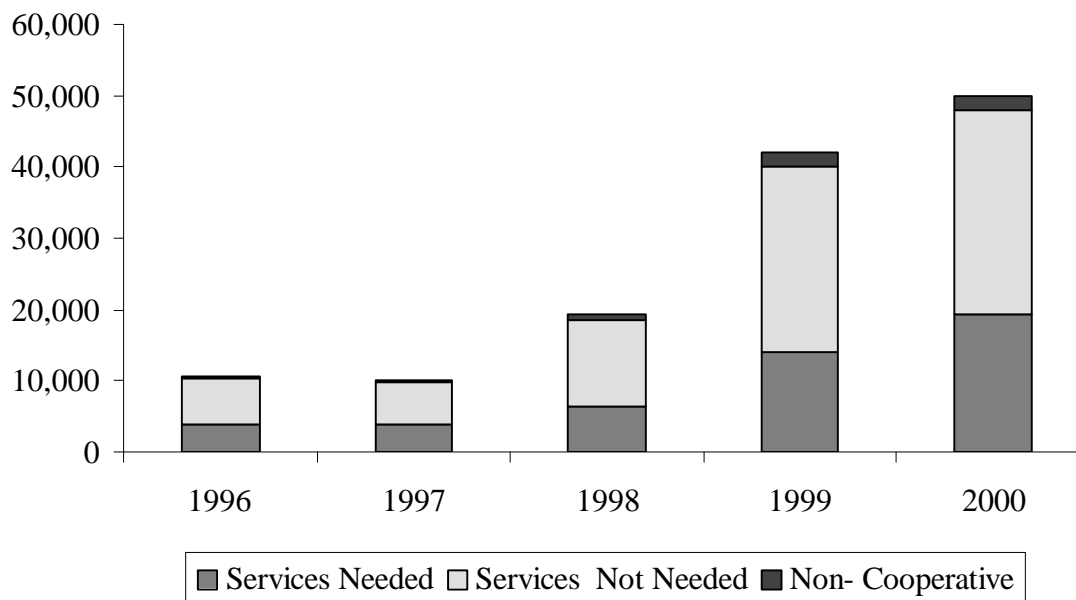
Note: Services Needed includes Services Needed-Linked Initial 30 Days and Services Needed-Family Declined.

Reports and Investigations/Family Assessments

**Reported Children by FA Conclusion
1996-2000**

	Services Needed		Services Not Needed		Non-Cooperative		Total
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
1996	3,919	37.0%	6,365	60.1%	303	2.9%	10,587
1997	4,050	40.3%	5,694	56.7%	302	3.0%	10,046
1998	6,380	33.2%	11,991	62.3%	862	4.5%	19,233
1999	13,972	33.3%	26,118	62.3%	1,836	4.4%	41,926
2000	19,360	38.8%	28,705	57.6%	1,798	3.6%	49,863

**Reported Children by FA Conclusion
1996-2000**

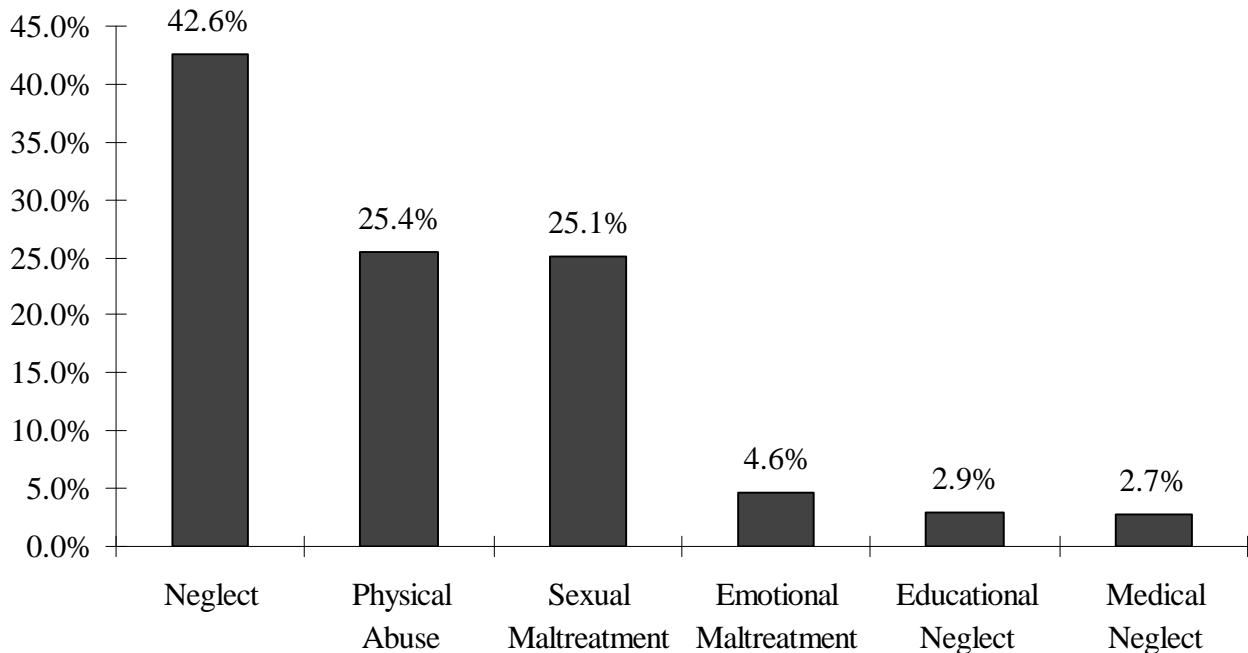


Note: Services Needed includes Services Needed-Linked Initial 30 Days and Services Needed-Family Declined.

Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect

During the year, 9,854 children were involved in incidents that were found probable cause for abuse or neglect. When a Children's Services worker determines there is probable cause that abuse/neglect has occurred, each child can be assigned up to thirty-one categories of abuse/neglect. As the graph below indicates, the most prevalent category is neglect, followed by physical abuse and sexual maltreatment.

**Probable Cause Children
by Category of Abuse/Neglect, 2000**



Probable Cause Children by Category of Abuse/Neglect, 2000

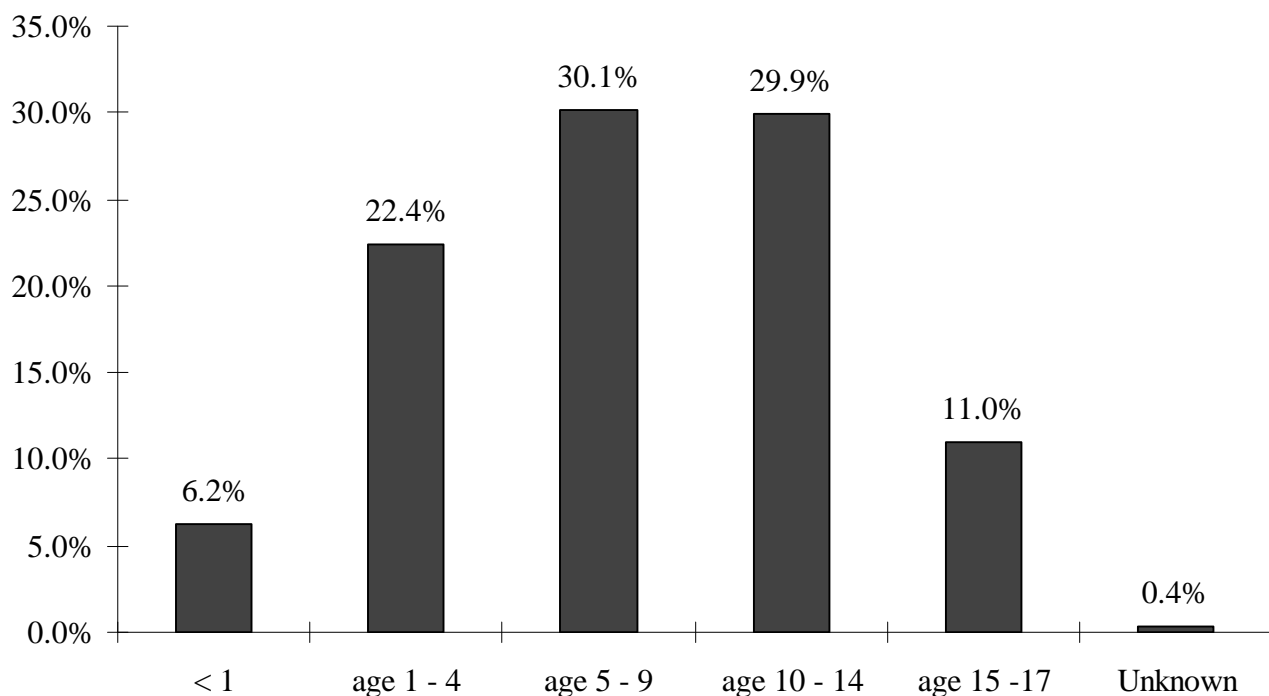
	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Neglect	4,200	42.6%
Physical Abuse	2,498	25.4%
Sexual Maltreatment	2,478	25.1%
Emotional Maltreatment	456	4.6%
Educational Neglect	290	2.9%
Medical Neglect	267	2.7%

Percent is the percentage of total probable cause children. Percent total is greater than 100 because a child may be found probable cause for up to thirty-one categories of abuse/neglect.

Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect

Child Demographics

**Probable Cause
Children by Age, 2000**



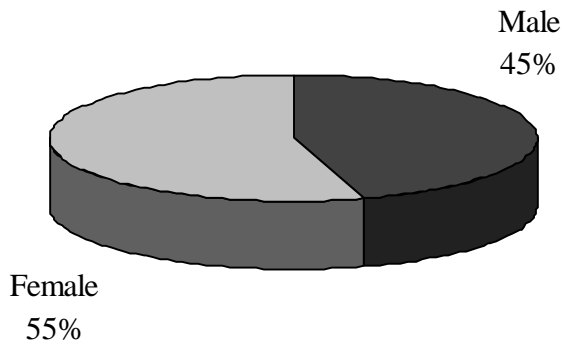
- The most common age group for probable cause children was 5 - 9 years, followed by ages 10 - 14. Relatively few (6.2%) of probable cause children were less than one year old.

**Probable Cause
Children by Age, 2000**

<u>Age</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
< 1	611	6.2%	10	598	6.1%
1	480	4.9%	11	529	5.4%
2	592	6.0%	12	586	5.9%
3	579	5.9%	13	578	5.9%
4	555	5.6%	14	657	6.7%
5	552	5.6%	15	534	5.4%
6	594	6.0%	16	397	4.0%
7	628	6.4%	17	149	1.5%
8	618	6.3%	Unknown	39	0.4%
9	578	5.9%		9,854	100.0%

Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect

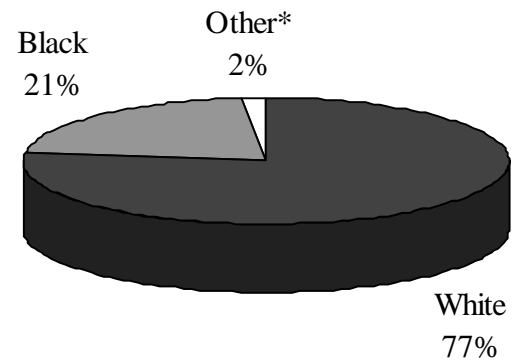
**Probable Cause
Children by Sex, 2000**



- In 2000, forty-five percent (45%) of the probable cause children were male, and fifty-five percent (55%) were female.

- Seventy-seven percent (77%) of probable cause children were white and twenty-one percent (21%) were black.

**Probable Cause
Children by Race, 2000**



* Other includes Asian, Native American, Other, and Unknown.

Sex and Race of Probable Cause Children, 2000

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Male	4,451	45.2%
Female	5,395	54.7%
Unknown	8	0.1%
	<u>9,854</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
White	7,617	77.3%
Black	2,063	20.9%
Asian	39	0.4%
Native American	27	0.3%
Other	7	0.1%
Unknown	101	1.0%
	<u>9,854</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect

Information gathered during an investigation of child abuse/neglect can help identify factors which place a child at risk for abuse/neglect. In addition to establishing an investigative conclusion for each child, Children's Services workers may designate up to four **Observed Family Characteristics** for each reported incident. For families where abuse/neglect is found, these characteristics may indicate which services could help prevent the reoccurrence of abuse/neglect. It is important to note that these are not absolute counts. For instance, a problem with alcohol or other drugs may be difficult to detect during the course of an investigation.

- The family characteristics reported in 2000 are similar to those reported during the last five years. Thirty-five (35%) of the families involved in probable cause incidents were amenable to services. Thirty percent (30%) of the probable cause incidents involved single parent families. The top twenty family characteristics are listed below.

Characteristics of Families Involved in Probable Cause Incidents, 2000 (Non-institutional incidents only)

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Amenable to services	2,408	35.0%
Single parent household	2,057	29.9%
Adequate living conditions	1,974	28.7%
Lack of parenting skills	1,749	25.5%
Stable family relationship/household	875	12.7%
Appropriate parenting skills	824	12.0%
Domestic Violence	610	8.9%
Heavy continuous child care responsibility	590	8.6%
Insufficient/misuse of income	486	7.1%
Other drug related problem(s)	467	6.8%
Extended family support system	458	6.7%
Marital Problems	439	6.4%
Alcohol related problem(s)	433	6.3%
Recent/frequent relocation	396	5.8%
New baby in home/pregnancy	385	5.6%
Recent loss/addition to household members	345	5.0%
Crowded Living Conditions	306	4.5%
Loss of employment	198	2.9%
Social isolation	170	2.5%
Role reversal	167	2.4%

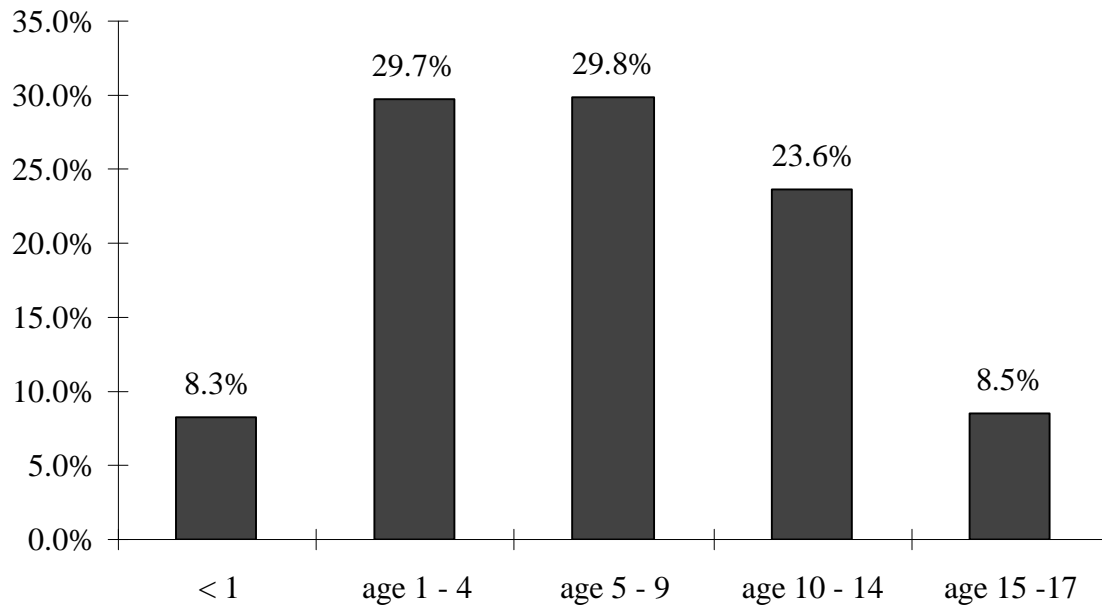
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Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect

Neglect

During the year 4,200 children were found probable cause under the category of neglect. Among these children, the most common age group was 5 - 9 years, followed by ages 1 - 4.

**Neglected
Children by Age, 2000**



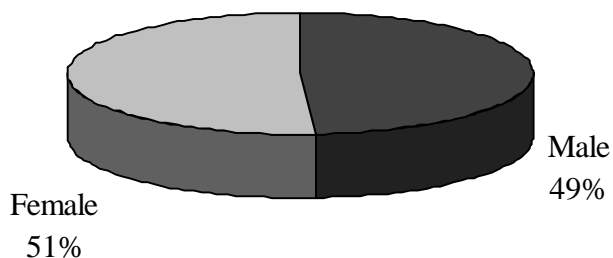
**Neglected
Children by Age, 2000**

<u>Age</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
< 1	349	8.3%	10	230	5.5%
1	320	7.6%	11	178	4.2%
2	356	8.5%	12	163	3.9%
3	305	7.3%	13	184	4.4%
4	268	6.4%	14	238	5.7%
5	266	6.3%	15	177	4.2%
6	260	6.2%	16	135	3.2%
7	250	6.0%	17	44	1.0%
8	247	5.9%	Unknown	0	0.0%
9	230	5.5%		4,200	100.0%

Note: This is a duplicated count of children because a child may be found probable cause for neglect more than once during the year.

Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect

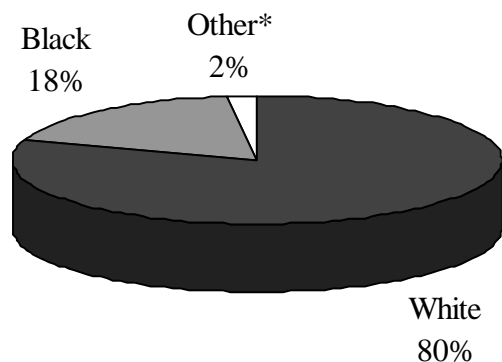
**Neglected
Children by Sex, 2000**



- In 2000, fifty-one percent (51%) of neglected children were female and forty-nine percent (49%) were male.

- Eighty percent (80%) of neglected children were white and eighteen percent (18%) were black.

**Neglected
Children by Race, 2000**



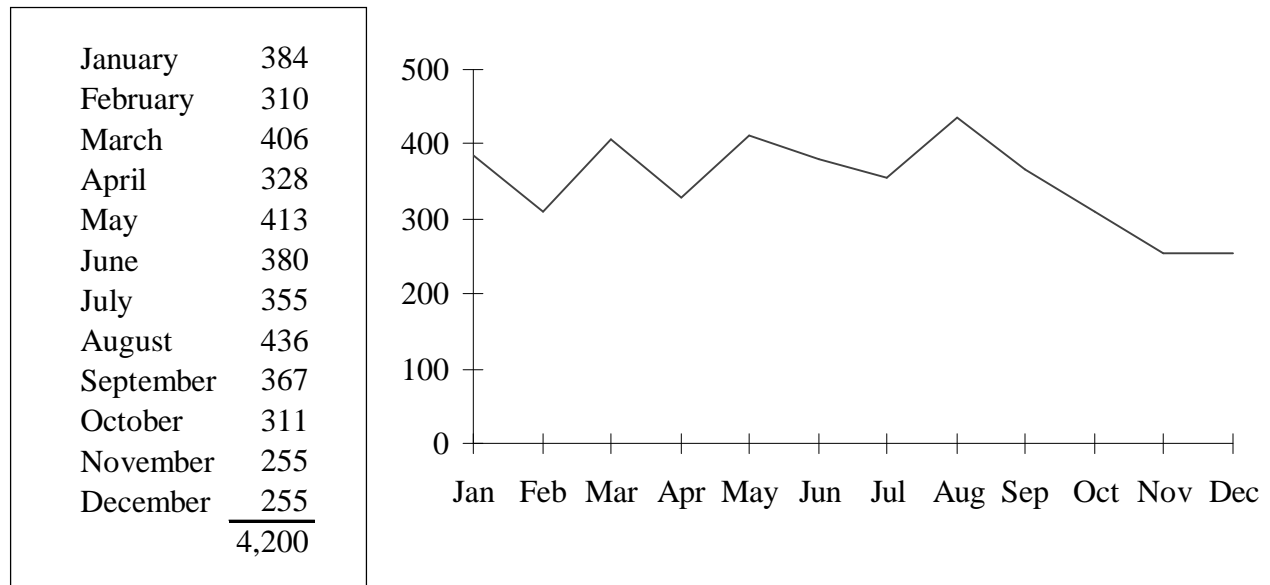
* Other includes Asian, Native American, Other and Unknown.

Sex and Race of Neglected Children, 2000

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>		<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Male	2,060	49.0%	White	3,369	80.2%
Female	2,140	51.0%	Black	750	17.9%
	4,200	100.0%	Asian	20	0.5%
			Native American	15	0.4%
			Other	3	0.1%
			Unknown	43	1.0%
				4,200	100.0%

Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect

Neglected Children by Month of Report, 2000



- August had the highest incidence of child neglect with 436 children. The months of November and December had the lowest occurrences of neglect with 255, respectively.

In addition to assigning categories of abuse or neglect, a Children's Services worker may also describe up to thirty-one specific findings of abuse. For neglected children the most frequent worker descriptions are those typically associated with neglect, such as a lack of supervision and unsanitary living conditions. The ten most frequently reported worker findings for neglected children are listed below.

Worker Findings for Neglected Children, 2000

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Lack of supervision	2,929	69.7%
Unsanitary living conditions	1,316	31.3%
Unsafe/inadequate shelter	839	20.0%
Poor hygiene (health threatening)	401	9.5%
Other abuse/neglect	219	5.2%
Fondling/touching	218	5.2%
Other physical abuse or injury	209	5.0%
Bruises, welts, red marks	207	4.9%
Rejection through indifference	201	4.8%
Lack of food	190	4.5%

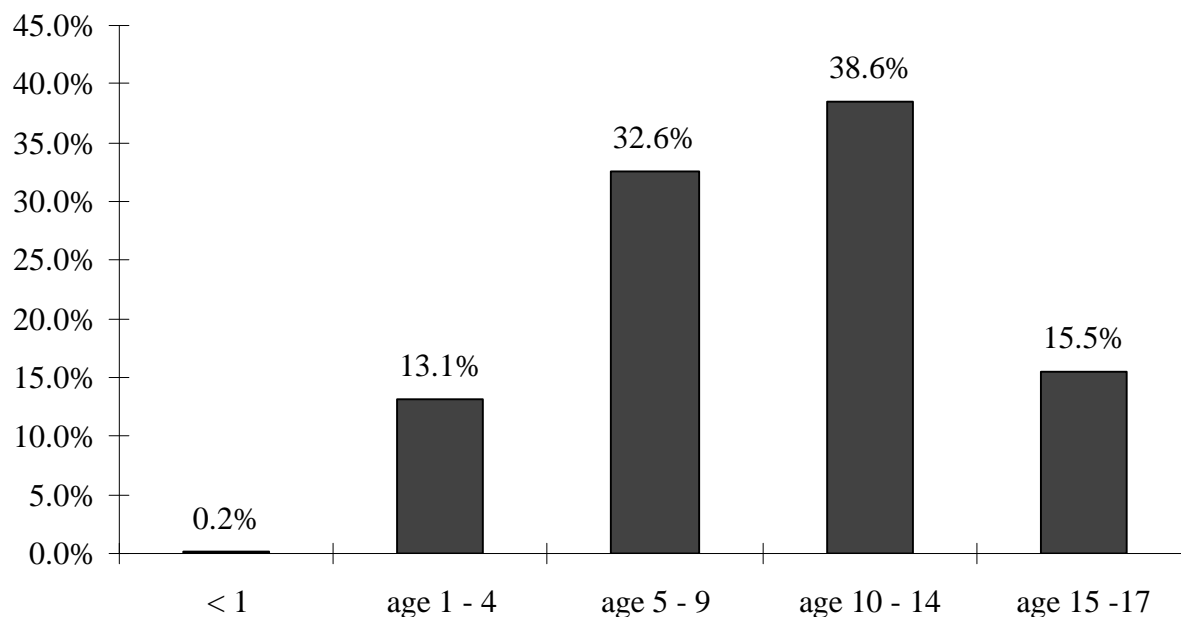
Percent is the percentage of total neglected children. Percent total is greater than 100 because a worker may list up to thirty-one specific findings for each child.

Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect

Sexual Maltreatment

During the year 2,478 children were found probable cause under the category of sexual maltreatment. Among these children the most common age group was 10 - 14 years, followed by ages 5 - 9.

**Sexually Maltreated
Children by Age, 2000**



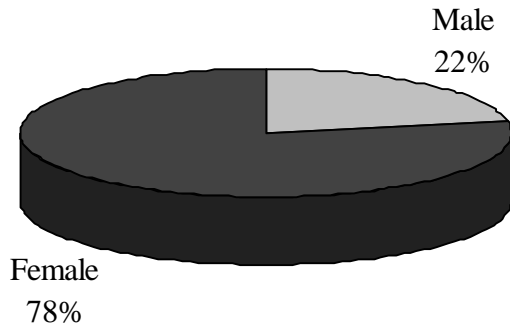
**Sexually Maltreated
Children by Age, 2000**

<u>Age</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
< 1	6	0.2%	10	167	6.7%
1	9	0.4%	11	172	6.9%
2	42	1.7%	12	198	8.0%
3	123	5.0%	13	213	8.6%
4	150	6.1%	14	206	8.3%
5	126	5.1%	15	181	7.3%
6	158	6.4%	16	137	5.5%
7	160	6.5%	17	65	2.6%
8	173	7.0%	Unknown	0	0.0%
9	192	7.7%		2,478	100.0%

Note: This is a duplicated count of children because a child may be found probable cause for sexual maltreatment more than one time during the year.

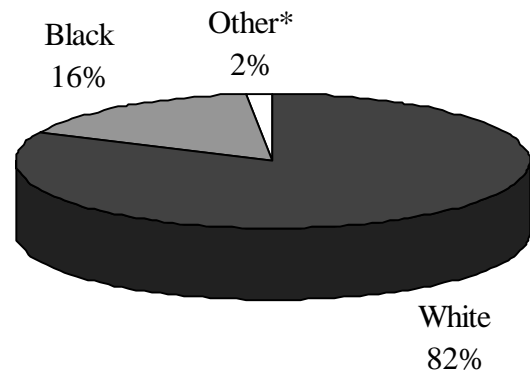
Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect

**Sexually Maltreated
Children by Sex, 2000**



- Unlike neglected and physically abused children, where approximately half were male and half were female, the majority (78%) of sexually maltreated children were female.

**Sexually Maltreated
Children by Race, 2000**



- Eighty-two percent (82%) of sexually maltreated children were white and sixteen percent (16%) were black.

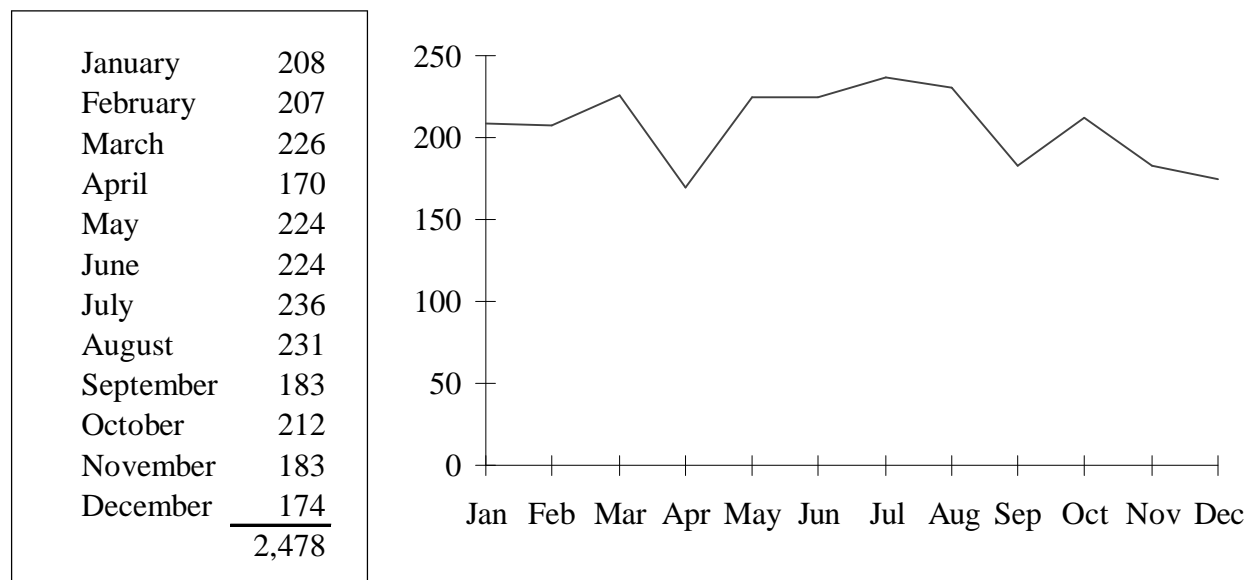
* Other includes Asian, Native American, and Unknown.

Sex and Race of Sexually Maltreated Children, 2000

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>		<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Male	546	22.0%	White	2,030	81.9%
Female	1,932	78.0%	Black	407	16.4%
	2,478	100.0%	Asian	10	0.4%
			Native American	6	0.2%
			Unknown	25	1.0%
				2,478	100.0%

Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect

Sexually Maltreated Children by Month of Report, 2000



- July had the highest incidence of sexually maltreated children with 236. April had the lowest occurrence of sexual maltreatment with 170 children.

For sexually maltreated children, the most frequently reported worker finding was fondling or touching. As with the physically abused children, lack of supervision is also cited quite frequently. This suggests that neglect may also occur in some situations of sexual abuse. The ten most often reported worker findings for sexually maltreated children are listed below.

Worker Findings for Sexually Maltreated Children, 2000

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Fondling/touching	1,751	70.7%
Other sexual abuse	733	29.6%
Oral sex, sodomy	625	25.2%
Intercourse	398	16.1%
Digital penetration	370	14.9%
Lack of supervision	346	14.0%
Pornography	88	3.6%
Other physical abuse or injury	59	2.4%
Inappropriately giving drugs	58	2.3%
Blaming, verbal abuse, threatening	46	1.9%

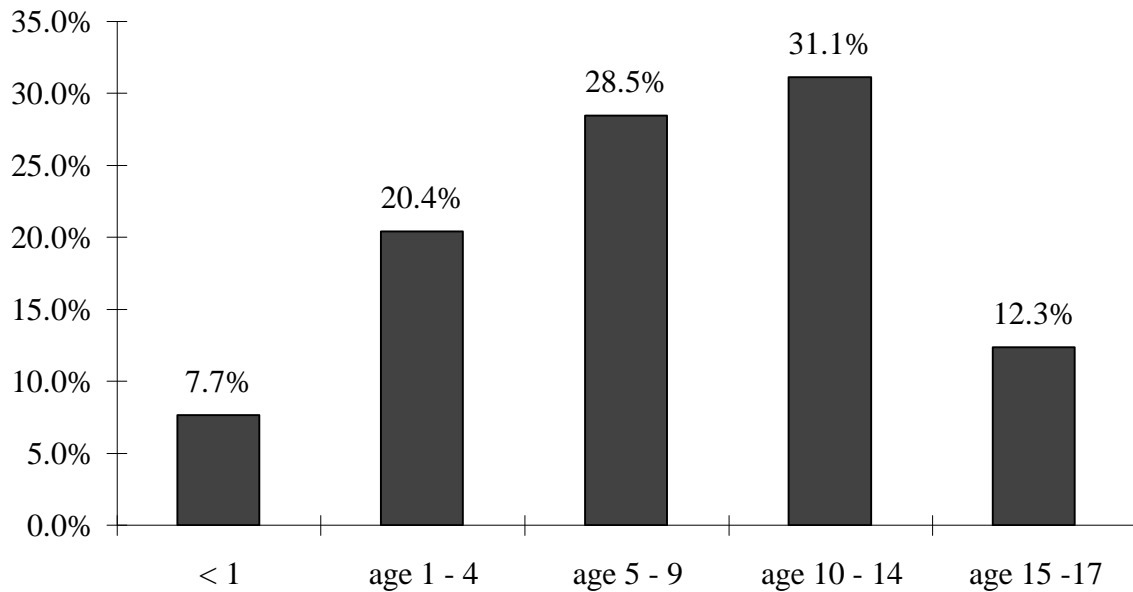
Percent is the percentage of all sexually maltreated children. Percent total is greater than 100 because a worker may list up to thirty-one specific findings for each child.

Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect

Physical Abuse

During the year 2,498 children were found probable cause under the category of physical abuse. Among these children the most common age group was 10 - 14 years, followed by ages 5 - 9.

**Physically Abused
Children by Age, 2000**



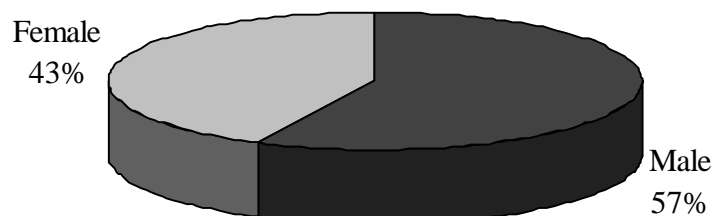
**Physically Abused
Children by Age, 2000**

<u>Age</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
< 1	192	7.7%	10	162	6.5%
1	119	4.8%	11	138	5.5%
2	146	5.8%	12	165	6.6%
3	127	5.1%	13	148	5.9%
4	118	4.7%	14	163	6.5%
5	117	4.7%	15	146	5.8%
6	154	6.2%	16	128	5.1%
7	162	6.5%	17	34	1.4%
8	143	5.7%	Unknown	1	0.0%
9	135	5.4%		<u>2,498</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

Note: This is a duplicated count of children because a child may be found probable cause for physical abuse more than one time during the year.

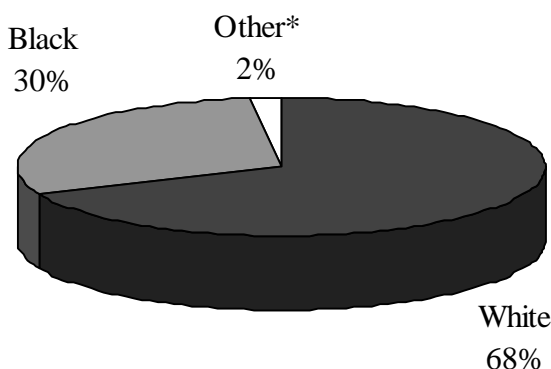
Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect

**Physically Abused
Children by Sex, 2000**



- Fifty-seven percent (57%) of physically abused children were male and forty-three percent (43%) were female.

**Physically Abused
Children by Race, 2000**



- Sixty-eight percent (68%) of physically abused children were white and thirty percent (30%) were black.

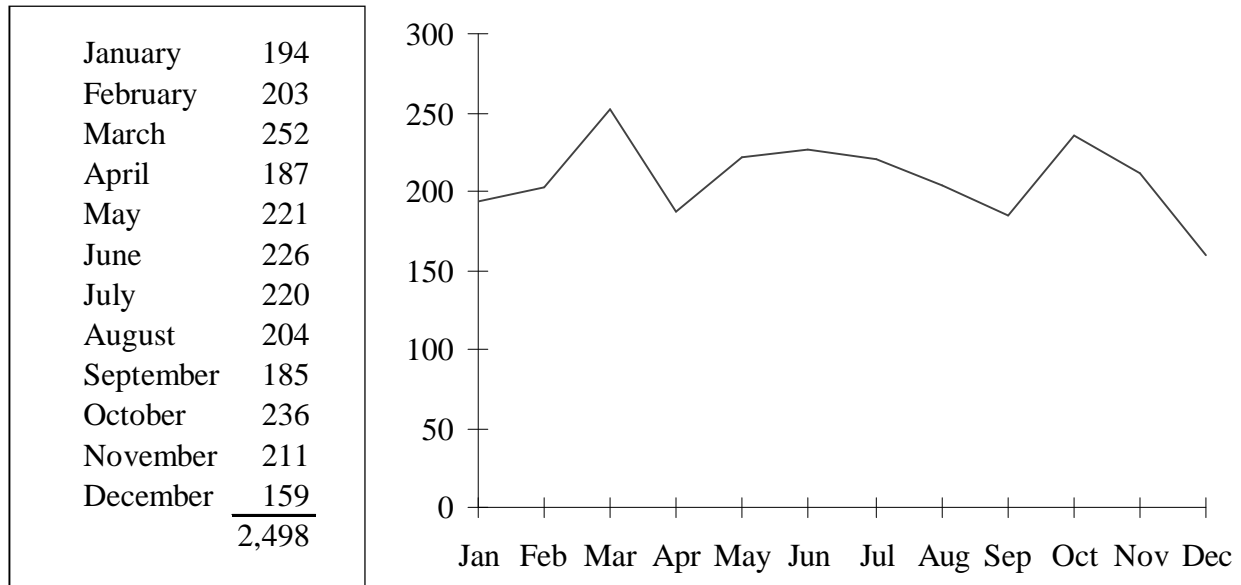
* Other includes Asian, Native American, Other and Unknown.

Sex and Race of Physically Abused Children, 2000

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>		<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Male	1,432	57.3%	White	1,706	68.3%
Female	1,066	42.7%	Black	745	29.8%
	<u>2,498</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	Asian	13	0.5%
			Native American	6	0.2%
			Other	3	0.1%
			Unknown	25	1.0%
				<u>2,498</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect

Physically Abused Children by Month of Report, 2000



- March had the highest incidence of physically abused children with 252 . The number of physically abused children fluctuated throughout the year before falling to the low for the year in December with 159 children.

For physically abused children, the most frequently reported worker findings were bruises, welts or red marks and other physical abuse or injury. Lack of supervision is also cited quite frequently, suggesting that neglect may occur in some abusive situations. The ten most often reported worker findings for physically abused children are listed below.

Worker Findings for Physically Abused Children, 2000

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Bruises, welts, red marks	1,567	62.7%
Other physical abuse or injury	715	28.6%
Lack of supervision	381	15.3%
Abrasions, lacerations	258	10.3%
Inappropriately giving drugs	168	6.7%
Blaming, verbal abuse, threatening	155	6.2%
Wounds, cuts, punctures	116	4.6%
Burns, scalding	89	3.6%
Fractures (other than skull)	88	3.5%
Other abuse/neglect	88	3.5%

Percent is the percentage of all physically abused children. Percent total is greater than 100 because a worker may list up to thirty-one specific findings for each child.

Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect

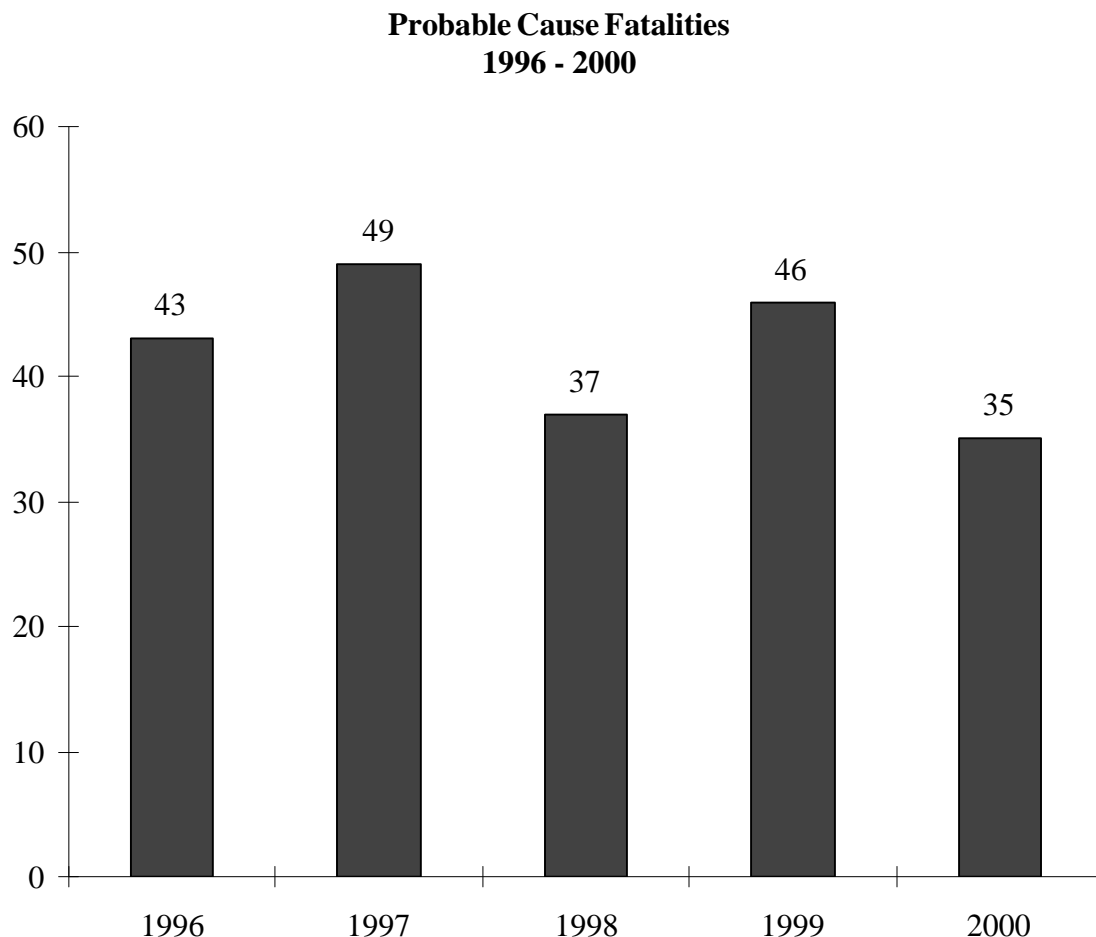
Child Abuse/Neglect Fatalities

The number of probable cause fatalities in 2000 decreased compared to 1999. Forty-six children died as a result of child abuse/neglect in 1999, compared to thirty-five in 2000.

These figures only represent children whose deaths are brought to the attention of DFS. Recent media attention, both on a state and national level, has focused on children whose deaths were never brought to the attention of the proper authorities despite the suspicious nature of their deaths. When fatal child abuse goes undetected, other children in the home and community remain at risk.

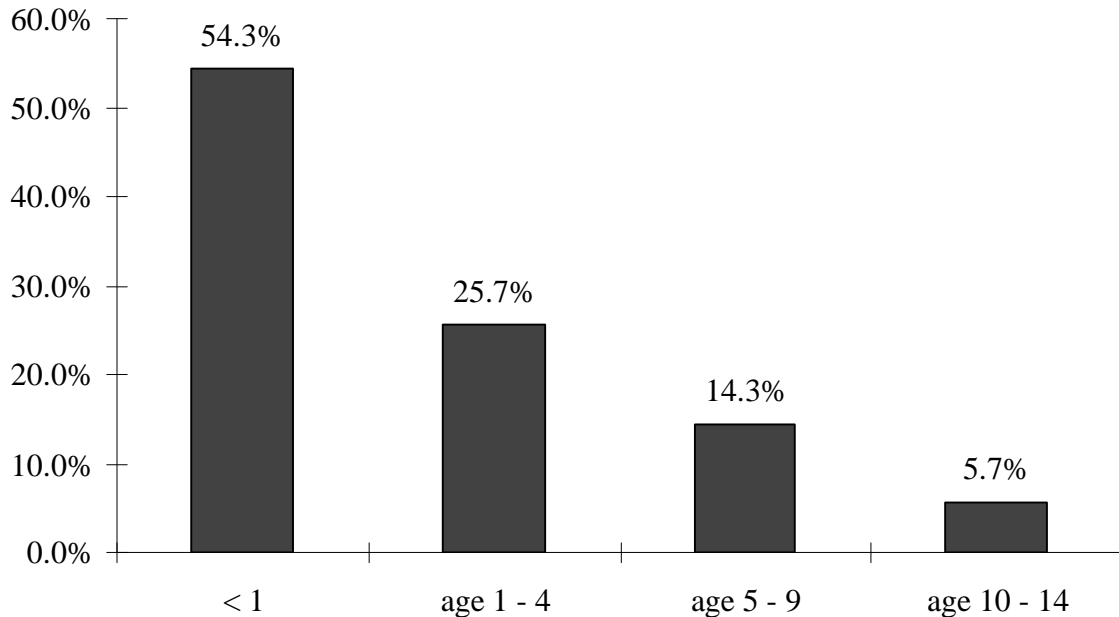
Effective August 28, 2000, if the medical examiner or coroner determines that the child died of natural causes while under medical care for an established natural disease, the coroner, medical examiner, or physician shall notify the division of the child's death. In all other cases, the medical examiner or coroner shall accept the report for investigation, shall immediately notify the division of the child's death as required under section 58.452, RSMo, and shall report the findings to the child fatality review panel established pursuant to section 210.192, RSMo.

The number of fatalities reported during any given year may change as a result of pending investigations, changes in conclusions, and deaths not reported in a timely manner.



Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect

**Probable Cause Fatalities
by Age of Child, 2000**



- Of the 35 children involved in probable cause fatalities during 2000, the majority were under 5 years of age.

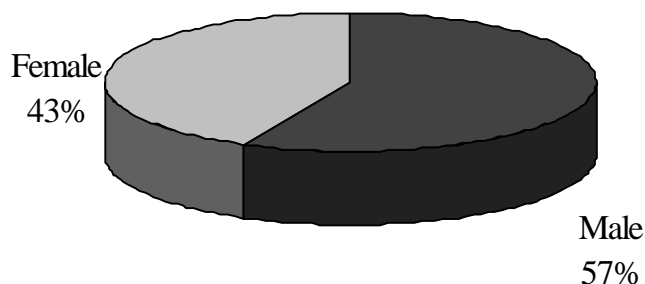
**Probable Cause Fatalities
by Age of Child, 2000**

<u>Age</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
< 1	19	54.3%	10	1	2.9%
1	4	11.4%	11	0	0.0%
2	2	5.7%	12	0	0.0%
3	2	5.7%	13	0	0.0%
4	1	2.9%	14	1	2.9%
5	1	2.9%	15	0	0.0%
6	1	2.9%	16	0	0.0%
7	2	5.7%	17	0	0.0%
8	1	2.9%	Unknown	0	0.0%
9	0	0.0%		35	100.0%

Note: The number of probable cause fatalities represents an unduplicated count of children.

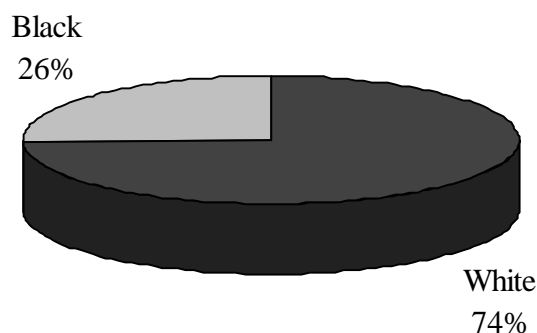
Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect

**Probable Cause Fatalities
by Sex, 2000**



- Fifty-seven percent (57%) of children involved in probable cause fatalities were male and forty-three percent (43%) were female.

**Probable Cause Fatalities
by Race, 2000**



- Seventy-four percent (74%) of children involved in probable cause fatalities were white and twenty-six (26%) were black.

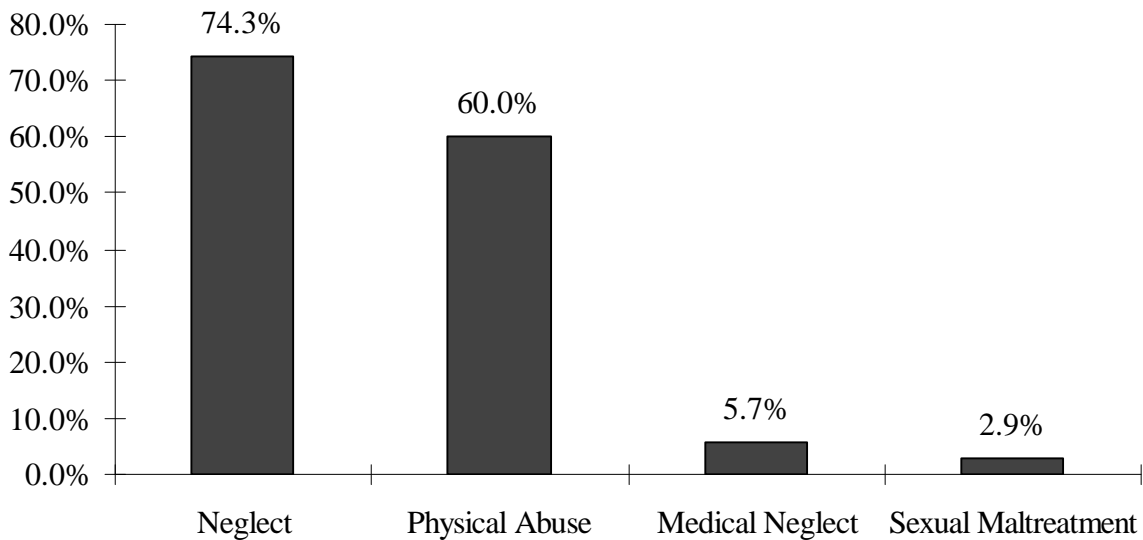
Sex and Race of Probable Cause Fatalities, 2000

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Male	20	57.1%
Female	15	42.9%
	<u>35</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
White	26	74.3%
Black	9	25.7%
	<u>35</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect

**Probable Cause Fatalities
by Category of Abuse/Neglect, 2000**



- A majority, seventy-four percent (74%), of the CA/N fatalities were caused, at least in part, by neglect. Physical abuse was present in sixty percent (60%) of the CA/N fatalities. Medical neglect and sexual maltreatment also contributed to some child fatalities.

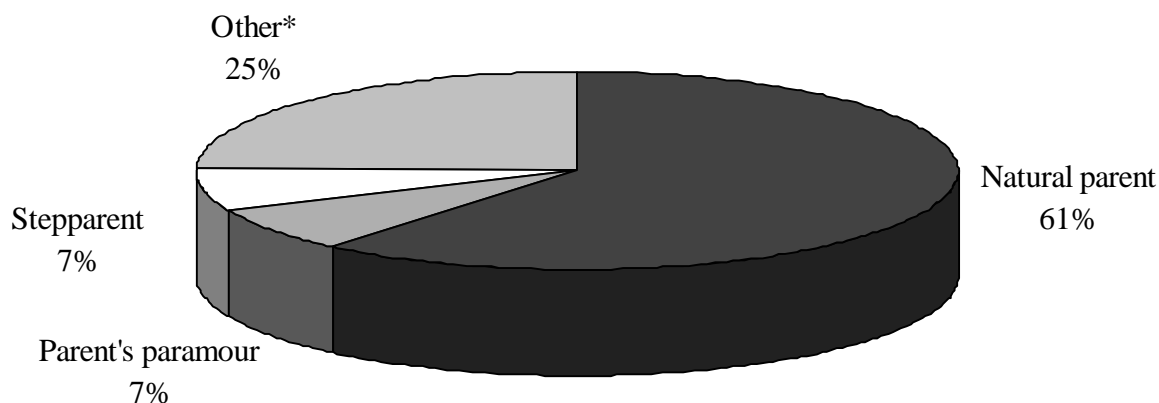
**Probable Cause Fatalities
by Category of Abuse/Neglect, 2000**

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Neglect	26	74.3%
Physical Abuse	21	60.0%
Medical Neglect	2	5.7%
Sexual Maltreatment	1	2.9%

Percent is the percentage of total probable cause fatalities. Percent total is greater than 100 because a child may be found probable cause for up to thirty-one categories of abuse/neglect.

Perpetrator Demographics

Relationship of Probable Cause Perpetrator to Probable Cause Child, 2000



* Other includes the following: Grandparent, Sibling, Institutional staff, Child care provider, Foster parent, Adoptive parent, School personnel, Spouse/paramour, Other relative and Unknown.

- The most common type of alleged perpetrator was the natural parent of the child.

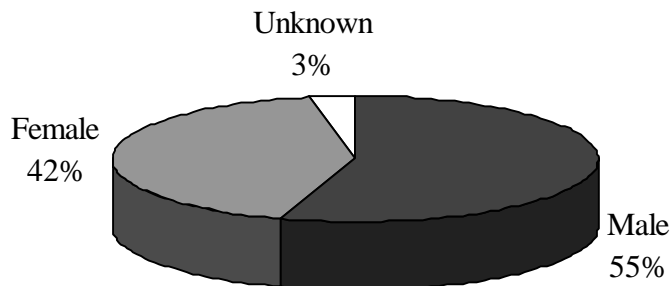
**Alleged Perpetrators and Probable Cause Perpetrators
by Relationship to Child, 2000**

	<u>Alleged Perpetrators</u>	<u>Probable Cause Perpetrators</u>	<u>Percent Found Probable Cause</u>
Natural parent	69,331	7,190	10.4%
Parent's paramour	5,928	818	13.8%
Stepparent	5,481	832	15.2%
Unknown	3,821	503	13.2%
Other	3,194	973	30.5%
Grandparent	2,593	347	13.4%
Other relative	2,060	514	25.0%
Sibling	785	170	21.7%
Institutional staff	769	179	23.3%
Foster parent	628	54	8.6%
Child care provider	618	65	10.5%
School personnel	523	46	8.8%
Adoptive parent	490	58	11.8%
Self	29	6	20.7%
Spouse/paramour	11	3	27.3%

Note: Total counts of perpetrators exceed total counts of children because a child may have more than one perpetrator.

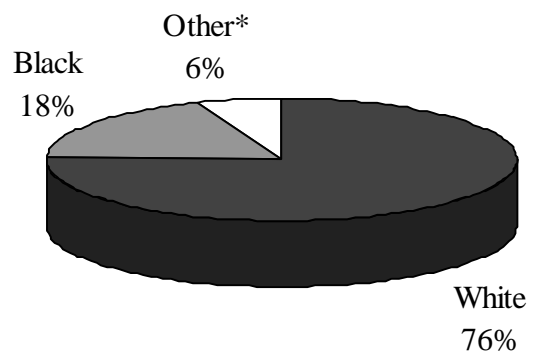
Perpetrator Demographics

**Probable Cause Perpetrators
by Sex, 2000**



- Fifty-five percent (55%) of all probable cause perpetrators were male. Forty-two percent (42%) were female.

**Probable Cause Perpetrators
by Race, 2000**



- The race of probable cause perpetrators is similar to that of probable cause children. Seventy-six percent (76%) were white and eighteen percent (18%) were black.

* Other includes Asian, Native American, and Unknown.

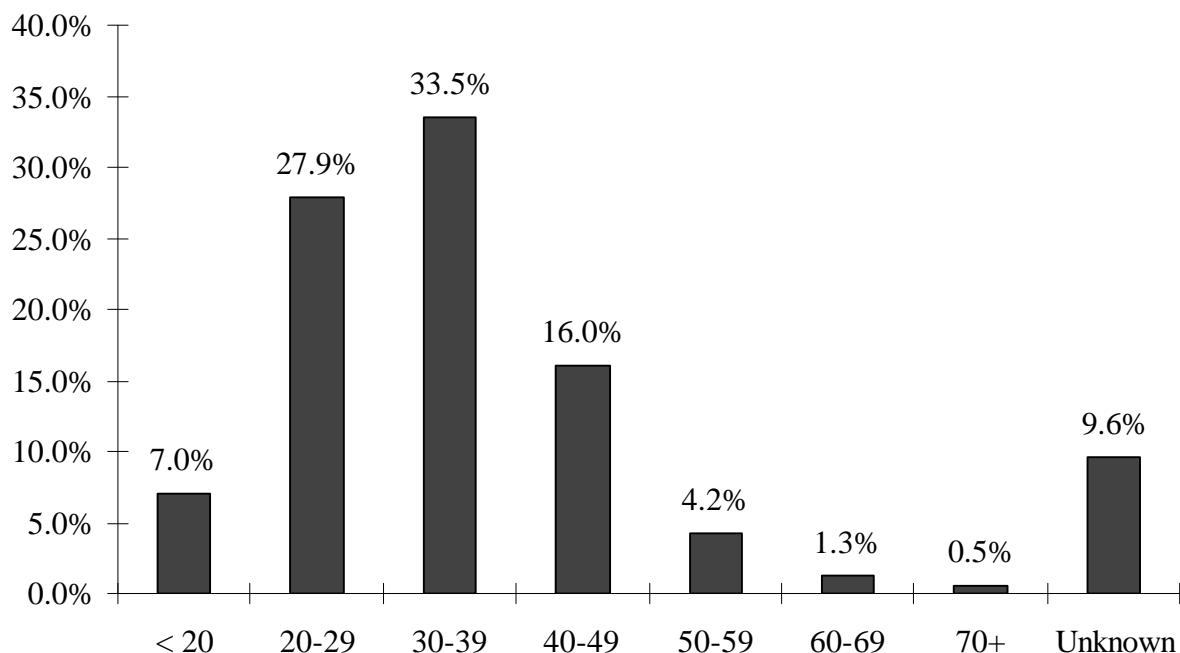
Sex and Race of Probable Cause Perpetrators, 2000

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>		<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Male	4,620	55.0%	White	6,364	75.8%
Female	3,521	41.9%	Black	1,547	18.4%
Unknown	256	3.0%	Asian	22	0.3%
	<u>8,397</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	Native American	15	0.2%
			Unknown	449	5.3%
				<u>8,397</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

Note: This is a duplicated count of perpetrators. An alleged perpetrator may be found probable cause for more than one incident during the year.

Perpetrator Demographics

**Probable Cause Perpetrators
by Age, 2000**



- Sixty-one percent (61%) of all perpetrators were between 20 and 39 years of age.

**Probable Cause Perpetrators
by Age, 2000**

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
< 20	586	7.0%
20-29	2,344	27.9%
30-39	2,809	33.5%
40-49	1,344	16.0%
50-59	351	4.2%
60-69	112	1.3%
70+	44	0.5%
Unknown	807	9.6%
	<u>8,397</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

Note: This is a duplicated count of perpetrators. An alleged perpetrator may be found probable cause for more than one incident during the year.

Perpetrator Demographics

Children's Services Workers may indicate up to four **Observed Perpetrator Characteristics** for each probable cause perpetrator of child abuse/neglect. These characteristics are used to develop client profiles and help illustrate which services may be beneficial to a family. For instance, if perpetrators have unrealistic expectations of children, providing information on child development can help teach more appropriate disciplinary techniques.

- In 2000, the most prevalent perpetrator characteristic was having unrealistic expectations of a child, which was the case for approximately thirty-six percent (36%) of the probable cause perpetrators. Social workers described seventeen percent (17%) of the perpetrators as having no apparent mental or emotional disturbance and sixteen percent (16%) as having lost control during discipline.

Characteristics of Probable Cause Perpetrators, 2000

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Unrealistic expectations of child	3,002	35.8%
No apparent mental/emotional disturbance	1,449	17.3%
Loss of control during discipline	1,360	16.2%
Immaturity	1,215	14.5%
Unemployed	1,168	13.9%
Low self-esteem	1,022	12.2%
Other drug-related problem(s)	989	11.8%
Alcohol-related problem(s)	904	10.8%
Amenable to services	898	10.7%
Mental/emotional disturbance	737	8.8%
History of criminal activity	675	8.0%
Pattern of violent behavior	549	6.5%
No one to call on in time of crisis	531	6.3%
Adequate support system	483	5.8%
Parental history of abuse/neglect as a child	422	5.0%
Less than high school education	317	3.8%
Institutional report/unknown perpetrator	177	2.1%
High school education or higher	163	1.9%
Mental retardation	109	1.3%
Illness	87	1.0%
Incapacity due to physical handicap	44	0.5%
Other	42	0.5%

Percent is the percentage of total probable cause perpetrators. Percent total is greater than 100 because a worker may list up to four characteristics for each perpetrator.

Child Protection System: Family Assessment Approach

Missouri's Child Protection Services system culminated from a collaborative effort between the Division of Family Services (DFS), elective officials, community organizations and private citizens. Senate Bill 595 (SB 595) was signed into law in 1994 and expanded statewide in 1998. The primary focus of SB 595 is to protect children from abuse/neglect in the least disruptive and intrusive way, that recognizes the value of the family. In addition, the protection is provided in the most efficient and effective manner possible within the framework of state, community, and family resources.

The definition of child abuse/neglect and the criteria for reporting (including mandated reporting) remain the same. The most significant change to the Child Protection Services system is how the division responds to reports of child abuse or neglect. When a local county office receives a report, the report is screened to determine the appropriate intervention method. If the report indicates behaviors that constitute criminal violation, the response to the report is an evidentiary, fact-finding Investigation. It is DFS policy to notify the appropriate local law enforcement agency to assist in the Investigation.

Reports of child abuse or neglect that do not fall into the category of criminal violation may be responded to by conducting a Family Assessment. The main purpose of a Family Assessment is to determine the child's safety and the family's needs for services. Taking a non-punitive assessment approach has created an environment that assists the family and social worker in developing a rapport and building on existing strengths to create a mutually agreed upon plan. The attention is centered on long term effects of the intervention (success = independence) versus an individual incident (failure = dependence).

In 1994, the Missouri General Assembly mandated a two-year independent evaluation of the Family Assessment approach to addressing child abuse/neglect (CA/N). The evaluation concluded that the safety of children was improved, CA/N reports decreased, families received services more quickly, families were more cooperative, and community resource utilization increased. Additionally, the community joined together in coordinating available resources to assist children and families in need. These communities have continued to meet today's challenges by working to develop resources to better address needs.

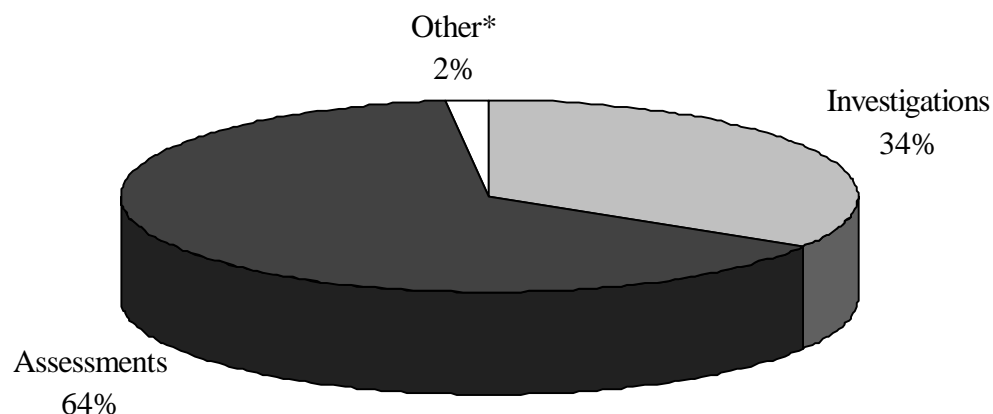
Child Protection System: Family Assessment Approach

In summary, an investigative delivery approach is designed to focus the efforts of DFS and law enforcement on reports that indicate a crime had been committed. The remaining families are served through Family Assessments, in order to address any service needs. Families who are investigated and those who receive the Family Assessment response both receive prompt and effective delivery of services in order to address their needs.

Track assignments determine which approach, assessment or investigation, a hotline call will take. Reports that initially receive a track assignment of assessment may not, however, be concluded assessment (i.e., services needed, services not needed, or non-cooperative/child safe). Assessment tracks not concluded as such may have conclusions of unable to locate, located out of state, or home schooling. Therefore, the statistics on pages 35, 36, and 41 are not based on 30,960, the number of reports concluded assessment, but on the number of reports assigned a track of assessment. The number of reports during 2000 assigned a track of assessment equaled 32,465.

The family assessment approach began in selected counties in 1995. By June 1999 all counties had implemented the family assessment approach.

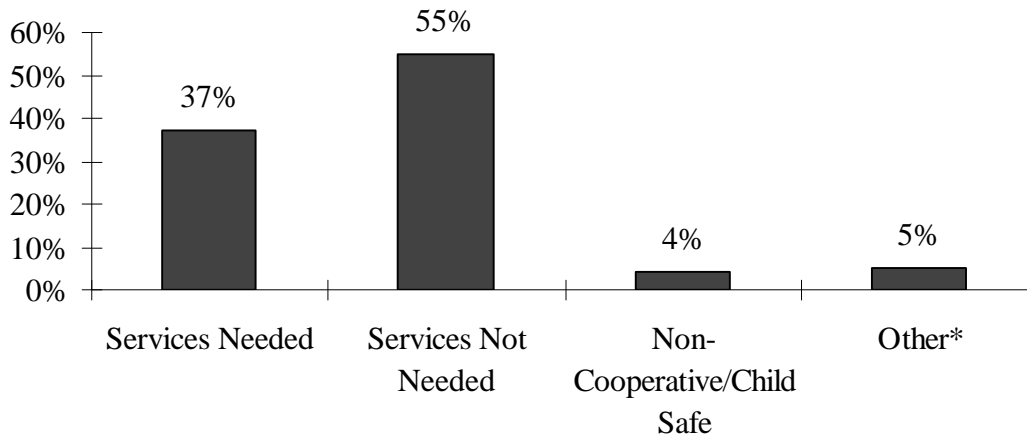
**Reports Made in Demonstration Areas by Type of Response
During 2000**



* Includes incidents with the conclusion of Inappropriate Report and incidents in which the conclusions are pending and the final response assignment could not be determined.

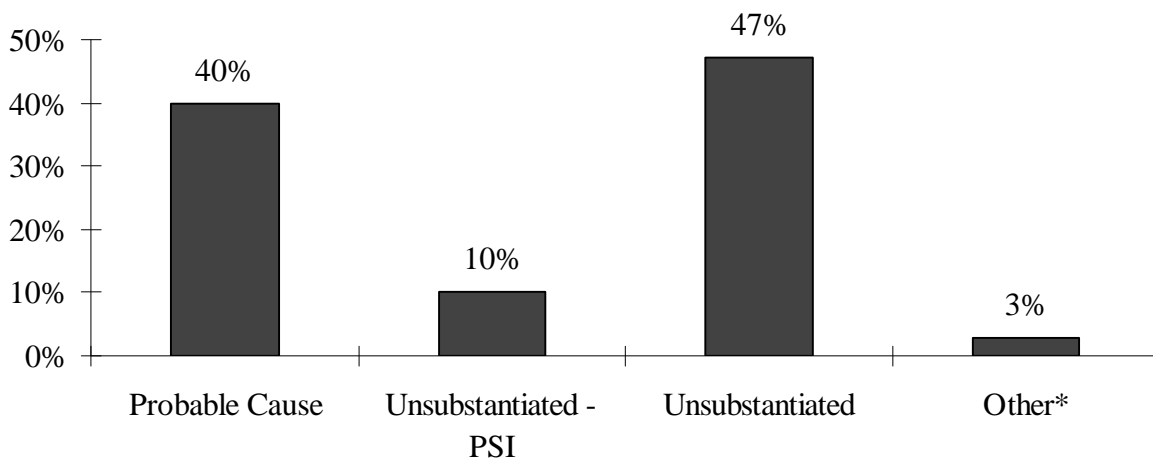
Child Protection System: Family Assessment Approach

**Child Protection System
Family Assessments by Conclusion
During 2000**



- Of the 32,465 reports assigned to the family assessment track, thirty-seven percent (37%) of the families were in need of services, fifty-five percent (55%) did not need services, and only four percent (4%) were non-cooperative.
- Of the 17,312 reports assigned to the investigative track, forty percent (40%) were found probable cause.

**Child Protection System
Investigations by Conclusion
During 2000**



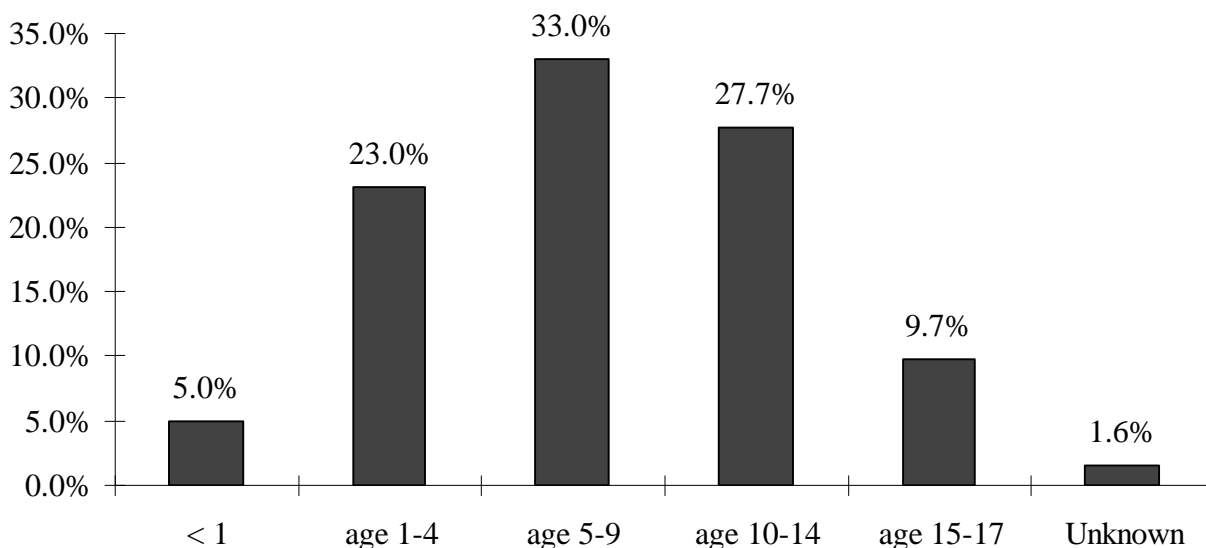
Note: Services Needed includes Services Needed-Linked Initial 30 Days and Services Needed-Family Declined.

* Other includes Unable to Locate, Inappropriate Report, Located Out of State and Home Schooling (based on response assignment)

Child Protection System: Family Assessment Approach

Child Demographics

**Family Assessment
Children by Age, 2000**



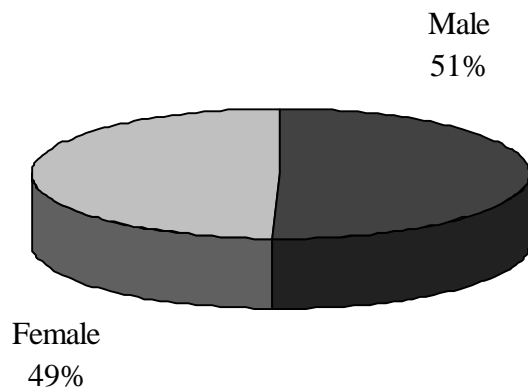
- During the year 49,863 children were involved in reports screened family assessment. The most common age group for these children was 5 - 9 years, followed by ages 10 - 14. Relatively few (5%) children on family assessment reports were less than one year old.

**Family Assessment
Children by Age, 2000**

<u>Age</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
<1	2,497	5.0%	10	2,992	6.0%
1	2,770	5.6%	11	2,852	5.7%
2	2,981	6.0%	12	2,615	5.2%
3	2,854	5.7%	13	2,715	5.4%
4	2,862	5.7%	14	2,641	5.3%
5	2,987	6.0%	15	2,500	5.0%
6	3,424	6.9%	16	1,645	3.3%
7	3,411	6.8%	17	686	1.4%
8	3,394	6.8%	Unknown	804	1.6%
9	3,233	6.5%		49,863	100%

Child Protection System: Family Assessment Approach

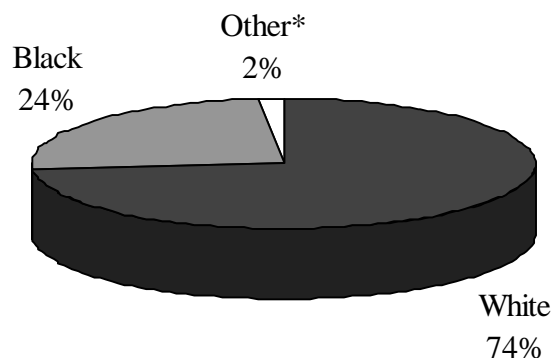
**Family Assessment
Children by Sex, 2000**



- Fifty-one percent (51%) of family assessment children were male and forty-nine percent (49%) were female.

- Seventy-four percent (74%) of family assessment children were white and twenty-four percent (24%) were black.

**Family Assessment
Children by Race, 2000**



* Other includes Asian, Native American, Other and Unknown.

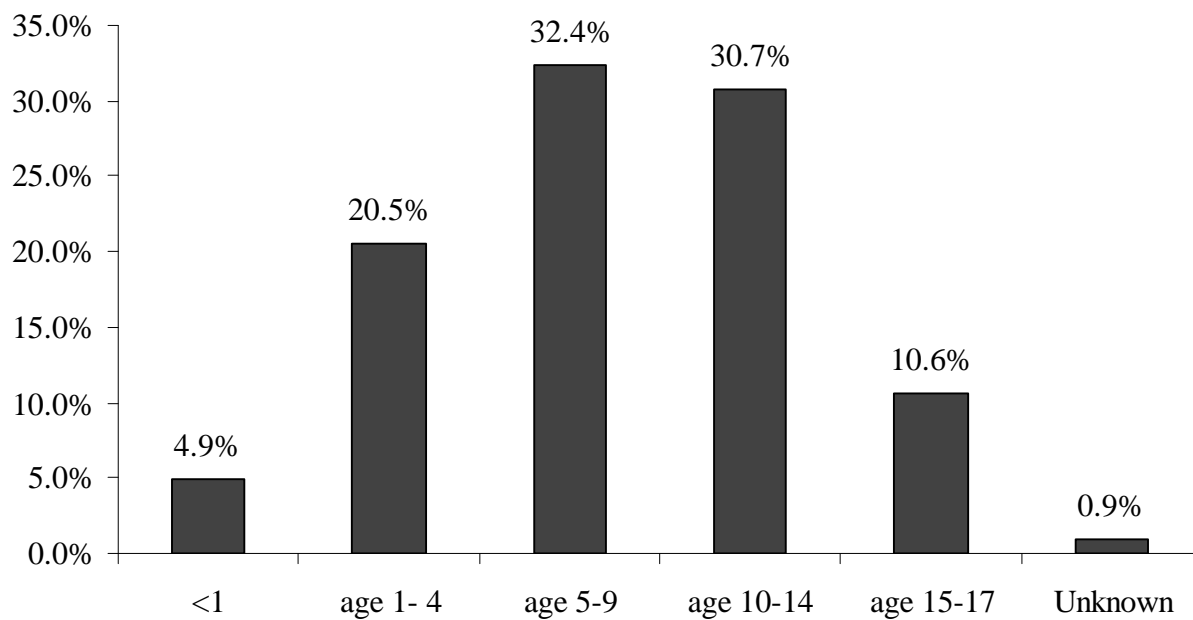
Sex and Race of Family Assessment Children, 2000

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>		<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Male	25,180	50.5%	White	36,882	74.0%
Female	24,595	49.3%	Black	12,111	24.3%
Unknown	88	0.2%	Asian	119	0.2%
	49,863	100%	Native American	152	0.3%
			Other	28	0.1%
			Unknown	571	1.1%
				49,863	100.0%

Child Protection System: Family Assessment Approach

Child Demographics

**Services Needed
Children by Age, 2000**



- During the year 19,360 children had a family assessment conclusion of services needed. The most common age group for these children was 5 - 9 years, followed by ages 10 - 14.

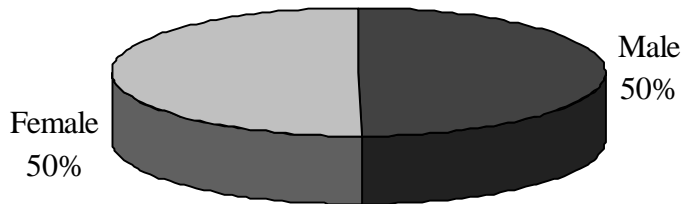
**Services Needed
Children by Age, 2000**

<u>Age</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
<1	956	5.5%	10	1,197	5.7%
1	1,003	5.6%	11	1,154	5.7%
2	1,013	5.2%	12	1,128	5.7%
3	985	5.5%	13	1,233	6.4%
4	977	5.2%	14	1,222	6.8%
5	1,110	5.8%	15	1,105	5.4%
6	1,351	6.5%	16	689	3.8%
7	1,276	6.9%	17	265	1.4%
8	1,277	6.4%	Unknown	168	0.5%
9	1,251	6.2%		19,360	100%

Note: Services Needed Includes Services Needed-Linked Initial 30 Days and Services Needed-Family Declined.

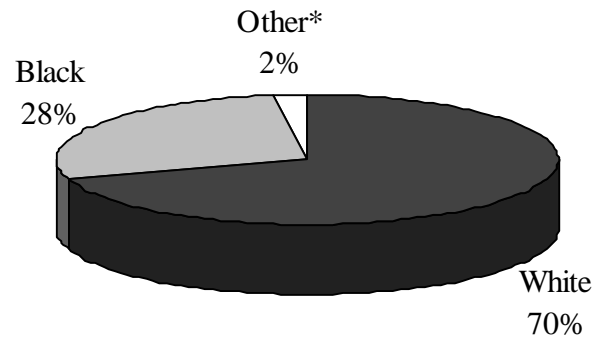
Child Protection System: Family Assessment Approach

**Services Needed
Children by Sex, 2000**



- In 2000, fifty percent (50%) of services needed children were male.

**Services Needed
Children by Race, 2000**



- Seventy percent (70%) of services needed children were white and twenty-eight percent (28%) were black.

* Other includes Asian, Native American, Other and Unknown.

Sex and Race of Services Needed Children, 2000

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>		<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Male	9,595	49.6%	White	13,658	70.5%
Female	9,744	50.3%	Black	5,394	27.9%
Unknown	21	0.1%	Asian	46	0.2%
	19,360	100.0%	Native American	58	0.3%
			Other	7	0.0%
			Unknown	197	1.0%
				19,360	100.0%

Note: Services Needed Includes Services Needed-Linked Initial 30 Days and Services Needed-Family Declined.

Child Protection System: Family Assessment Approach

The goals of the family assessment approach are to assure child safety, address the strengths of the family and to identify and treat the family's needs. Services and supports for families are designed to build on the strengths and resources of families and communities. In keeping with this philosophy, the list of **Observed Family Characteristics** was expanded to include more strength-based characteristics. Some of the new characteristics are extended family support systems, problem-solving skills and good physical/mental health.

- In forty-three percent (43%) of the assessments, the families had adequate living conditions. Thirty percent (30%) of the assessments involved single parent households. Other frequently cited characteristics include families amenable to services, stable family relationship, appropriate parenting skills and extended family support system. The top 25 characteristics are listed below.

**Child Protection System Family Assessment Approach
Characteristics of Families Involved in Family Assessments
During 2000**

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Adequate living conditions	13,894	42.8%
Single parent household	9,629	29.7%
Amenable to services	9,267	28.5%
Stable family relationship/household	6,616	20.4%
Appropriate parenting skills	6,542	20.2%
Extended family support system	3,355	10.3%
Lack of parenting skills	2,797	8.6%
Heavy continuous child care responsibility	2,023	6.2%
Recent/frequent relocation	1,542	4.7%
Recent loss/addition to household members	1,513	4.7%
Insufficient/misuse of income	1,463	4.5%
Marital problems	1,456	4.5%
New baby in home/pregnancy	1,161	3.6%
Crowded living conditions	1,121	3.5%
Loss of employment	1,019	3.1%
Domestic violence	994	3.1%
Community/cultural support	948	2.9%
Problem-solving skills	818	2.5%
Other drug related problem(s)	658	2.0%
Alcohol related problem(s)	627	1.9%
No history of violence	591	1.8%
Social isolation	582	1.8%
Stable marriage	541	1.7%
Good physical/mental health	533	1.6%
Teen parent(s)	522	1.6%

Percent is the percentage of total family assessments. Percent total is greater than 100 because up to 15 family characteristics may be reported for each family assessment.

Child Protection System: Family Assessment Approach

- The characteristics for families involved in investigations are similar in rank to those of families in the assessment response. In thirty-four percent (34%) of the investigations, the families were amenable to services. Adequate living conditions, single parent household, parenting skills, and stable family relationships were also cited frequently.
- Investigations had a higher percentage (34%) of families amenable to services than did assessments (29%). Investigated families had a lower percentage (31%) of families with adequate living conditions, than did assessment families (43%). The top 25 characteristics are listed below.

Child Protection System: Family Assessment Approach Characteristics of Families Involved in Investigations During 2000

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Amenable to services	5,863	33.9%
Adequate living conditions	5,344	30.9%
Single parent household	4,144	23.9%
Lack of parenting skills	2,419	14.0%
Appropriate parenting skills	2,348	13.6%
Stable family relationship/household	2,316	13.4%
Heavy continuous child care responsibility	1,068	6.2%
Extended family support system	1,017	5.9%
Domestic violence	905	5.2%
Marital problems	848	4.9%
Insufficient/misuse of income	740	4.3%
Recent/frequent relocation	732	4.2%
Recent loss/addition to household members	673	3.9%
New baby in home/pregnancy	655	3.8%
Other drug related problem(s)	623	3.6%
Alcohol related problem(s)	592	3.4%
Crowded living conditions	532	3.1%
Loss of employment	334	1.9%
Social isolation	283	1.6%
Community/cultural support	264	1.5%
Teen parent(s)	250	1.4%
Problem-solving skills	241	1.4%
Role reversal	225	1.3%
Stable marriage	185	1.1%
No history of violence	166	1.0%

Percent is the percentage of total reports assigned to the investigative track. Percent total is greater than 100 because up to 15 family characteristics may be reported for each investigation.

Prevention/Treatment Services

DFS has several programs designed to provide treatment and to help prevent future occurrence of child abuse and neglect.

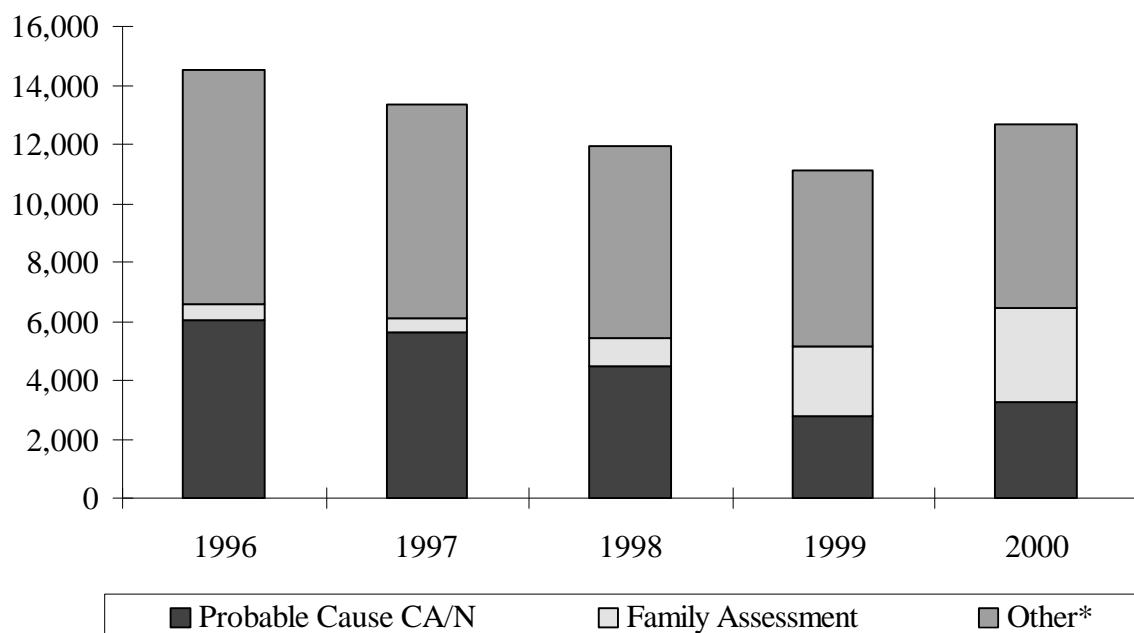
Parental Stress Helpline: A DFS Parental Stress Helpline is available for parents who feel overwhelmed with parental pressures and responsibilities. The Helpline offers on-line crisis counseling to parents and provides referral information about local agencies which offer additional or more intensive services. The Helpline operates seven days a week, 24 hours a day. The toll-free telephone number of this emergency service is **1-800-367-2543**. Calls to the Parental Stress Helpline may be anonymous. However, if information is given that indicates child abuse/neglect has taken place, and identifying information is provided, the information must be forwarded to the DFS county office for investigation.

Family-centered Services (FCS): FCS are provided to families and children in their own homes when a child abuse/neglect investigation has been concluded Probable Cause, Unsubstantiated-Preventive Services Indicated or Family Assessment-Services Needed. These services are also provided to families who voluntarily seek help and to families whose children are placed out of the home. Services are provided following a family-centered assessment to identify risk issues, family strengths and service needs. A family treatment plan is developed with the family to help them change the conditions which brought them to the attention of DFS. Services are designed to help the family direct their own affairs and provide suitable care for the children. The primary purpose of FCS is to improve and maintain the family unit or to reunify the family when alternative care services are provided. Services include a range of treatment and support services. The family treatment plan determines whether services are provided by DFS staff and/or purchased or provided by community agencies. Purchased services include day care, family and/or individual counseling, home-based, family-centered services, evaluation and diagnosis, homemaker services and respite care, among others.

- During 2000 there were 12,661 FCS cases opened in Missouri.
- From 1996 through 2000, thirty-five percent (35%) of all FCS case openings were the result of a probable abuse investigative conclusion. Twelve percent (12%) of all FCS case openings were the result of a family assessment conclusion.
- In 2000, twenty-five percent (25%) of all FCS case openings were the result of a Family Assessment.

Prevention/Treatment Services

**Family-centered Services Case Openings by Reason for Opening
1996 - 2000**



* Other includes Family Requests Preventive Services, Court Order and Newborn Crisis Assessment.

Intensive In Home Services (IIS): IIS are intensive in-home services designed to prevent unnecessary out-of-home placement of children. An in-home specialist provides a variety of services to the entire family to address the crisis that would normally necessitate out-of-home care for a child. Services are delivered immediately at the time of crisis and are time-limited, usually four to six weeks. In-home specialists carry small caseloads of two to three families. This enables them to spend as much time with the family as needed. The emphasis of IIS is on strengthening the entire family by improving its problem-solving capabilities and teaching them necessary life skills. Among other services, families may receive family therapy, individual and marital counseling, parenting education, child development training, household maintenance and nutritional training, job readiness training and referrals to other community resources. Families authorized for IIS may have children who have been abused or neglected, have committed a status offense, have displayed delinquent behavior, or who are seriously emotionally disturbed and are at imminent risk of being removed from the home. This service is voluntary and at least one caretaker must be willing to participate.

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Out-of-Home Placement: Out-of-home care is provided in situations where a parent or parents are incapable of providing a child or children with adequate social, emotional and physical care. Out-of-home is defined as care provided in licensed foster or approved relative family homes, in licensed residential facilities, or in licensed foster group homes. The service provides substitute settings for children. Children are placed only after it is determined that they cannot remain at home.

Crisis Nurseries: The first state-funded crisis nurseries began providing services to children and their families in May 1993. There are nine of these facilities. Crisis nurseries are child care facilities which protect children by providing a safe environment at a time when the chances of abuse/neglect in the home are increased. Parents voluntarily request and arrange this service directly with the crisis nursery.

Child Abuse/Neglect Review Board: Division of Family Services' social workers reach a conclusion on each child abuse/neglect investigation and notify the parents and alleged perpetrator (if different than the parents) by letter of the conclusion. In some investigations where the conclusion is probable cause, the alleged perpetrator may disagree with the finding. The alleged perpetrator may appeal to the Child Abuse/Neglect Review Board for review of the investigation by contacting the local DFS office within 60 days of the notification of the finding. If there are pending criminal charges, the request may be made 60 days from the court's final disposition or dismissal of charges. If convicted, there is no appeal.

The Child Abuse/Neglect Review Board consists of two boards of nine private citizens appointed by the Governor. These boards each meet twice per month to review child abuse/neglect appeals. They listen to testimony from DFS staff, the alleged perpetrator, and representatives of the child and then make a decision to uphold or reverse the original DFS decision. During 2000, the review board heard 184 cases. The percentage of cases upheld by the Board was 68.5%.

Following the Child Abuse and Neglect Review Board's disposition, the alleged perpetrator will have 30 days to request a judicial review.

Background Screening and Investigation Unit: The Background Screening and Investigation Unit conducts background checks through the child abuse/neglect systems in DFS. These checks are run on prospective foster and adoptive parents for DFS and for current or prospective employees in the child care industry (day care, residential care providers, schools, etc.). The purpose of the unit is to provide information on potential employees so that a prospective employer can assess if the person is appropriate to care for children. During 2000, the unit processed 175,686 background checks.

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Mandated Reporter Referrals: The state child abuse/neglect law mandates certain professions (mandated reporters) to make a report to the Missouri Division of Family Services when they have reasonable cause to suspect that a child has been or may be subjected to abuse or neglect. However, many times the mandated reporter may not suspect abuse or neglect but has some other concern about a family.

Effective July 1996 the division implemented a policy to accept referrals of concern from a mandated reporter which does not rise to the level of a CA/N report. The division refers to these calls as Mandated Reporter Referrals. This service is being provided because division staff are often aware of community resources available to families and to continue the positive communication between DFS staff and mandated reporters. The reporter will be told by the hotline social worker whether their call is being accepted as a hotline report or as a Mandated Reporter Referral. Mandated Reporter Referrals will be reported immediately to the appropriate county DFS Office.

Local DFS staff will contact the reporter within three working days of the report, or the next working day if the report is received on a Friday, to discuss the situation with the mandated reporter and mutually determine the most appropriate action to be taken. The exception is if the report indicates an emergency situation the reporter will be contacted as soon as possible. While the division in a few situations may offer services to families, the primary purpose is to help the mandated reporter make community support connections for the family. The following are possible responses to the referrals:

- The mandated reporter is made aware of appropriate community resources and provides referrals for the family.
- The reporter or DFS staff contact the family by telephone to assist the family in arranging appropriate referrals.
- DFS staff visit the family to obtain additional information and assess the needs of the family.
- DFS staff determine that, based upon additional information, a child abuse/neglect report is necessary.
- During 2000 there were 15,240 Mandated Reporter Referrals.

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Newborn Crisis Assessments and Services: DFS collaborates with the Department of Health in conjunction with Department of Mental Health and Department of Elementary and Secondary Education to address the increasing problem of substance abusing pregnant women and drug exposed infants. Missouri law requires the Departments of Health, Mental Health, Elementary and Secondary Education, and Social Services (DFS) to provide a non-punitive system of educational and treatment services related to the prenatal consumption of alcohol and other drugs. This inter-departmental effort is known as the Perinatal Substance Abuse Advisory Council. This council meets quarterly to discuss issues related to the needs of the drug-exposed infant, substance abusing pregnant women, assessment process, training, accessing available resources, legislative and policy changes.

Between November 1992 and May 2000, Department of Health, Bureau of Family Health and Special Health Care Needs teamed up with DFS to create and present the law and policy implementation of Newborn Crisis Assessment Referrals across the state. The material was presented in ten locales across Missouri, to approximately 765 persons. The participants included the following professionals: DFS staff, Nurses, Physicians, Social Workers, Police Officers, Juvenile Officers, Lawyers, Foster Parents, Department of Health Administrators and staff, and the Department of Mental Health Administrators and staff.

In most instances, DFS receives a Newborn Crisis Assessment Referral, via the CA/N hotline, from the physician or health care provider, who requests DFS to conduct an assessment to determine the caretaker's suitability to care for an infant, or to provide protective services as directed by a physician. Following the completion of the Newborn Crisis Assessment, DFS coordinates services with the Department of Health and Department of Mental Health. Service Coordinators in the Department of Health's Bureau of Special Health Care Needs will provide health and developmental screenings throughout their involvement with the family. Department of Mental Health provides drug treatment services for the substance abusing parent, as well as the family. In 2000, the Division received 1,274 reports from medical professionals for drug-exposed infants and subsequent assessment for services by DFS.

Children reported to the Division for abuse and neglect are sometimes identified during the investigation process as having been exposed prenatally to drugs. In 2000, 139 children reported to the hotline for abuse and neglect were identified as drug exposed.

Appendix A.

2000 Reported Incidents by Area, County and Conclusion

AREA	COUNTY	PROBABLE CAUSE		UNSUB.-PSI		UNSUB.		FA		OTHER		TOTAL
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	
AREA 1	ANDREW	14	11.1	2	1.6	16	12.7	86	68.3	8	6.3	126
	ATCHISON	2	4.8	0	0	0	0	37	88.1	3	7.1	42
	BUCHANAN	130	11.3	7	0.6	235	20.4	710	61.6	71	6.2	1,153
	CALDWELL	10	8.9	10	8.9	7	6.3	76	67.9	9	8	112
	CARROLL	31	24.2	0	0	24	18.8	70	54.7	3	2.3	128
	CASS	80	13.7	26	4.4	44	7.5	420	71.7	16	2.7	586
	CHARITON	6	12.5	0	0	5	10.4	35	72.9	2	4.2	48
	CLAY	200	15.9	16	1.3	188	15	792	63	61	4.9	1,257
	CLINTON	23	15	6	3.9	9	5.9	104	68	11	7.2	153
	COOPER	13	11.7	8	7.2	16	14.4	64	57.7	10	9	111
	DAVIESS	11	20.4	8	14.8	5	9.3	28	51.9	2	3.7	54
	DE KALB	4	7.1	6	10.7	6	10.7	36	64.3	4	7.1	56
	GENTRY	7	14.9	0	0	5	10.6	32	68.1	3	6.4	47
	GRUNDY	9	8.4	2	1.9	16	15	72	67.3	8	7.5	107
	HARRISON	10	15.4	2	3.1	3	4.6	48	73.8	2	3.1	65
	HOLT	3	7.3	1	2.4	4	9.8	33	80.5	0	0	41
	HOWARD	8	11.6	3	4.3	16	23.2	34	49.3	8	11.6	69
	JOHNSON	48	13.4	23	6.4	40	11.2	236	66.1	10	2.8	357
	LAFAYETTE	58	22	17	6.4	55	20.8	120	45.5	14	5.3	264
	LINN	11	8.5	3	2.3	17	13.2	96	74.4	2	1.6	129
	LIVINGSTON	16	15.8	3	3	18	17.8	57	56.4	7	6.9	101
	MERCER	0	0	0	0	1	7.1	13	92.9	0	0	14
	NODAWAY	7	6.5	5	4.7	4	3.7	87	81.3	4	3.7	107
	PETTIS	73	16.7	5	1.1	50	11.4	304	69.4	6	1.4	438
	PLATTE	41	10	8	2	40	9.8	298	72.9	22	5.4	409
	PUTNAM	8	15.1	4	7.5	7	13.2	33	62.3	1	1.9	53
	RANDOLPH	73	24.3	30	10	100	33.3	82	27.3	15	5	300
	RAY	28	12.6	4	1.8	21	9.5	151	68	18	8.1	222
	SALINE	34	12.9	9	3.4	23	8.7	188	71.2	10	3.8	264
	SULLIVAN	6	10.5	0	0	3	5.3	43	75.4	5	8.8	57
	WORTH	2	11.8	1	5.9	1	5.9	13	76.5	0	0	17
	AREA OFFICE	2	33.3	0	0	1	16.7	1	16.7	2	33.3	6
	SITE TOTAL	968	14	209	3	980	14.2	4,399	63.8	337	4.9	6,893
AREA 2	ADAIR	49	25.3	33	17	9	4.6	100	51.5	3	1.5	194
	AUDRAIN	60	22.9	19	7.3	57	21.8	118	45	8	3.1	262
	BOONE	121	11.6	15	1.4	184	17.6	606	57.9	120	11.5	1,046
	CALLAWAY	46	9.9	9	1.9	93	19.9	295	63.2	24	5.1	467
	CLARK	6	11.8	4	7.8	6	11.8	34	66.7	1	2	51
	COLE	89	14.9	46	7.7	175	29.4	240	40.3	46	7.7	596
	FRANKLIN	110	12.6	38	4.4	72	8.3	594	68.3	56	6.4	870
	GASCONADE	31	17.9	25	14.5	33	19.1	67	38.7	17	9.8	173
	JEFFERSON	132	8.4	36	2.3	75	4.7	1,248	79	89	5.6	1,580
	KNOX	13	25	6	11.5	8	15.4	22	42.3	3	5.8	52
	LEWIS	23	21.5	19	17.8	15	14	46	43	4	3.7	107
	LINCOLN	50	13	9	2.3	101	26.2	208	53.9	18	4.7	386
	MACON	24	15.9	10	6.6	48	31.8	64	42.4	5	3.3	151
	MARION	39	10.9	26	7.3	54	15.1	220	61.5	19	5.3	358
	MONROE	6	9.1	6	9.1	10	15.2	44	66.7	0	0	66
	MONTGOMERY	19	13.1	11	7.6	6	4.1	105	72.4	4	2.8	145
	OSAGE	8	12.1	8	12.1	7	10.6	36	54.5	7	10.6	66
	PIKE	35	22.2	23	14.6	44	27.8	56	35.4	0	0	158
	RALLS	3	8.1	1	2.7	8	21.6	24	64.9	1	2.7	37
	ST CHARLES	179	11.3	33	2.1	202	12.8	1,077	68.1	90	5.7	1,581
	SCHUYLER	4	10.5	4	10.5	8	21.1	21	55.3	1	2.6	38
	SCOTLAND	11	28.2	2	5.1	4	10.3	21	53.8	1	2.6	39
	SHELBY	12	15.4	8	10.3	14	17.9	43	55.1	1	1.3	78
	WARREN	39	17.3	18	8	36	15.9	129	57.1	4	1.8	226
	AREA OFFICE	4	19	0	0	5	23.8	11	52.4	1	4.8	21
	SITE TOTAL	1,113	12.7	409	4.7	1,274	14.6	5,429	62.1	523	6	8,748
AREA 3	BOLLINGER	21	21.4	0	0	7	7.1	63	64.3	7	7.1	98
	BUTLER	60	12.3	21	4.3	52	10.7	344	70.6	10	2.1	487
	CAPE GIRARDEAU	53	14.2	6	1.6	31	8.3	255	68.5	27	7.3	372
	CARTER	19	24.4	8	10.3	6	7.7	45	57.7	0	0	78
	CRAWFORD	39	13.2	5	1.7	37	12.5	194	65.8	20	6.8	295
	DENT	25	14.9	5	3	14	8.3	115	68.5	9	5.4	168
	DUNKLIN	82	19.2	29	6.8	69	16.2	241	56.4	6	1.4	427
	HOWELL	62	12.4	21	4.2	38	7.6	359	71.8	20	4	500
	IRON	4	4	2	2	16	16.2	76	76.8	1	1	99
	MADISON	23	19.5	14	11.9	11	9.3	69	58.5	1	0.8	118
	MISSISSIPPI	24	17.8	5	3.7	17	12.6	86	63.7	3	2.2	135
	NEW MADRID	8	4.7	4	2.3	9	5.3	144	84.2	6	3.5	171
	OREGON	9	10	13	14.4	19	21.1	44	48.9	5	5.6	90

Appendix A. (continued)
2000 Reported Incidents by Area, County and Conclusion

AREA	COUNTY	PROBABLE CAUSE		UNSUB.-PSI		UNSUB.		FA		OTHER		TOTAL
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	
AREA 3	PEMISCOT	13	5.4	10	4.2	13	5.4	201	84.1	2	0.8	239
	PERRY	14	12.6	2	1.8	7	6.3	81	73	7	6.3	111
	REYNOLDS	5	7.9	2	3.2	6	9.5	50	79.4	0	0	63
	RIPLEY	18	11.3	16	10.1	15	9.4	105	66	5	3.1	159
	ST FRANCOIS	73	10.9	22	3.3	66	9.8	480	71.5	30	4.5	671
	STE GENEVIEVE	9	6.3	2	1.4	20	13.9	111	77.1	2	1.4	144
	SCOTT	76	17.1	13	2.9	65	14.6	278	62.6	12	2.7	444
	SHANNON	27	20.8	7	5.4	22	16.9	69	53.1	5	3.8	130
	STODDARD	26	10.6	10	4.1	37	15.1	160	65.3	12	4.9	245
	WASHINGTON	49	16.7	3	1	49	16.7	178	60.8	14	4.8	293
	WAYNE	13	7.8	5	3	15	9	127	76.5	6	3.6	166
	AREA OFFICE	1	9.1	0	0	1	9.1	6	54.5	3	27.3	11
	SITE TOTAL	753	13.2	225	3.9	642	11.2	3,881	67.9	213	3.7	5,714
AREA 4	BARRY	71	17	8	1.9	59	14.1	256	61.4	23	5.5	417
	BARTON	18	13.2	5	3.7	15	11	92	67.6	6	4.4	136
	BATES	29	14.6	17	8.6	83	41.9	63	31.8	6	3	198
	BENTON	15	12.5	4	3.3	8	6.7	88	73.3	5	4.2	120
	CAMDEN	44	14.7	5	1.7	6	2	229	76.6	15	5	299
	CEDAR	25	19.8	5	4	31	24.6	59	46.8	6	4.8	126
	CHRISTIAN	91	21.5	16	3.8	90	21.2	203	47.9	24	5.7	424
	DADE	11	14.5	1	1.3	14	18.4	49	64.5	1	1.3	76
	DALLAS	16	10.4	4	2.6	9	5.8	107	69.5	18	11.7	154
	DOUGLAS	23	21.5	2	1.9	21	19.6	58	54.2	3	2.8	107
	GREENE	495	19.2	96	3.7	689	26.8	1,070	41.6	223	8.7	2,573
	HENRY	27	10.5	3	1.2	25	9.7	196	76	7	2.7	258
	HICKORY	13	23.6	4	7.3	10	18.2	26	47.3	2	3.6	55
	JASPER	198	13.3	56	3.8	204	13.7	917	61.5	117	7.8	1,492
	LACLEDE	44	14.2	6	1.9	26	8.4	227	73.5	6	1.9	309
	LAWRENCE	32	7.7	12	2.9	32	7.7	271	65.5	67	16.2	414
	MCDONALD	59	19.9	3	1	26	8.8	200	67.6	8	2.7	296
	MARIES	9	13.4	2	3	10	14.9	42	62.7	4	6	67
	MILLER	45	13.7	14	4.3	39	11.9	212	64.6	18	5.5	328
	MONITEAU	5	6.4	2	2.6	4	5.1	65	83.3	2	2.6	78
	MORGAN	44	18.9	2	0.9	37	15.9	140	60.1	10	4.3	233
	NEWTON	99	15.9	24	3.9	77	12.4	391	62.8	32	5.1	623
	OZARK	20	25	2	2.5	18	22.5	38	47.5	2	2.5	80
	PHELPS	71	16.6	28	6.6	86	20.1	231	54.1	11	2.6	427
	POLK	38	14.1	9	3.3	46	17.1	166	61.7	10	3.7	269
	PULASKI	80	18.6	20	4.7	66	15.3	243	56.5	21	4.9	430
	ST CLAIR	14	16.3	0	0	25	29.1	45	52.3	2	2.3	86
	STONE	67	26.2	7	2.7	45	17.6	111	43.4	26	10.2	256
	TANEY	55	13.2	32	7.7	67	16.1	254	60.9	9	2.2	417
	TEXAS	48	17.9	8	3	40	14.9	148	55.2	24	9	268
	VERNON	55	18.5	10	3.4	35	11.7	190	63.8	8	2.7	298
	WEBSTER	39	13.8	19	6.7	58	20.6	165	58.5	1	0.4	282
	WRIGHT	83	31.9	19	7.3	27	10.4	123	47.3	8	3.1	260
	AREA OFFICE	3	16.7	1	5.6	7	38.9	5	27.8	2	11.1	18
	SITE TOTAL	1,986	16.7	446	3.8	2,035	17.1	6,680	56.3	727	6.1	11,874
AREA 5	JACKSON	926	14.1	153	2.3	810	12.3	4,131	62.7	564	8.6	6,584
	AREA OFFICE	1	20	0	0	0	0	3	60	1	20	5
	SITE TOTAL	927	14.1	153	2.3	810	12.3	4,134	62.7	565	8.6	6,589
AREA 6	ST LOUIS CITY	449	10.1	77	1.7	375	8.4	3,150	70.6	408	9.2	4,459
	AREA OFFICE	0	0	0	0	1	8.3	11	91.7	0	0	12
	SITE TOTAL	449	10	77	1.7	376	8.4	3,161	70.7	408	9.1	4,471
AREA 7	ST LOUIS COUNTY	473	9.8	128	2.7	594	12.3	3,274	67.8	361	7.5	4,830
	AREA OFFICE	0	0	0	0	1	25	2	50	1	25	4
	SITE TOTAL	473	9.8	128	2.6	595	12.3	3,276	67.8	362	7.5	4,834
OTHER	OUT HOME INV	202	11.5	6	0.3	1,510	85.9	0	0	39	2.2	1,757
	OUT OF STATE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	56	100	56
	SITE TOTAL	202	11.1	6	0.3	1,510	83.3	0	0	95	5.2	1,813
STATE TOTAL		6,871	13.5	1,653	3.2	8,222	16.1	30,960	60.8	3,230	6.3	50,936

Conclusions are as follows:

Probable Cause - Court Adjudicated and Probable Cause

Unsub.-PSI - Unsubstantiated-Preventive Services Indicated

Unsub. - Unsubstantiated

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Other - Unable to Locate, Inappropriate Report, Located Out of State and Home Schooling

Appendix B.
2000 Reported Children by Area, County and Conclusion

AREA	COUNTY	PROBABLE CAUSE	UNSUB.- PSI	UNSUB.	FA	OTHER	TOTAL	CHILDREN PER THOUSAND	
								PROBABLE CAUSE	TOTAL REPORTED
AREA 1	ANDREW	18	2	22	127	14	183	4.34	44.08
	ATCHISON	2	0	2	59	5	68	1.28	43.59
	BUCHANAN	179	10	340	1,157	132	1,818	8.5	86.36
	CALDWELL	11	10	8	133	16	178	4.63	74.88
	CARROLL	59	0	34	117	7	217	22.4	82.38
	CASS	116	38	63	631	27	875	4.93	37.17
	CHARITON	10	0	8	61	4	83	4.57	37.97
	CLAY	261	16	261	1,163	103	1,804	5.76	39.82
	CLINTON	30	9	12	162	21	234	5.51	43
	COOPER	26	13	21	87	20	167	6.67	42.82
	DAVIESS	15	10	10	44	5	84	6.82	38.18
	DE KALB	5	10	12	66	7	100	2.18	43.69
	GENTRY	9	0	6	60	4	79	5.24	46.04
	GRUNDY	21	2	19	110	17	169	8.87	71.4
	HARRISON	14	2	5	69	5	95	7.25	49.2
	HOLT	5	1	7	51	0	64	3.5	44.76
	HOWARD	9	3	18	57	31	118	3.73	48.94
	JOHNSON	71	38	58	365	15	547	5.96	45.93
	LAFAYETTE	80	36	81	185	38	420	9.28	48.7
	LINN	16	5	26	176	2	225	4.58	64.36
	LIVINGSTON	26	3	24	80	14	147	7.59	42.92
	MERCER	0	0	4	24	0	28	0	30.34
	NODAWAY	8	5	4	129	10	156	1.76	34.23
	PETTIS	109	5	62	489	16	681	11.32	70.73
	PLATTE	56	8	54	406	36	560	3.07	30.7
	PUTNAM	10	6	7	54	2	79	9.11	71.95
	RANDOLPH	115	54	153	120	26	468	19.57	79.66
	RAY	38	4	22	225	31	320	5.67	47.78
	SALINE	46	14	30	308	14	412	7.99	71.55
	SULLIVAN	8	0	4	70	6	88	5.07	55.77
	WORTH	2	1	1	15	0	19	3.53	33.57
	AREA OFFICE	3	0	1	2	3	9	0	0
	* AREA TOTAL *	1,378	305	1,379	6,802	631	10,495	6.6	50.25
AREA 2	ADAIR	76	46	11	153	5	291	15.67	60
	AUDRAIN	84	31	75	182	13	385	13.78	63.18
	BOONE	155	22	236	941	254	1,608	5.19	53.84
	CALLAWAY	64	12	114	482	34	706	6.53	72
	CLARK	8	6	10	58	1	83	4.07	42.17
	COLE	149	71	245	381	97	943	8.72	55.2
	FRANKLIN	161	60	94	885	87	1,287	6.15	49.17
	GASCONADE	48	37	57	102	35	279	12.97	75.39
	JEFFERSON	169	54	84	1,886	145	2,338	2.94	40.61
	KNOX	17	8	12	35	10	82	16.55	79.84
	LEWIS	38	30	17	82	10	177	16.01	74.56
	LINCOLN	70	19	170	334	33	626	6.27	56.1
	MACON	38	10	67	90	6	211	9.9	54.96
	MARION	61	38	73	347	34	553	8.08	73.29
	MONROE	8	8	13	72	0	101	3.2	40.35
	MONTGOMERY	26	17	11	178	8	240	8.11	74.86
	OSAGE	12	14	8	49	10	93	3.46	26.84
	PIKE	48	27	61	79	0	215	10.89	48.8
	RALLS	5	2	12	40	2	61	2.05	25.02
	ST CHARLES	290	37	278	1,631	168	2,404	3.56	29.49
	SCHUYLER	7	5	14	33	1	60	6.26	53.67
	SCOTLAND	15	2	6	40	2	65	11.87	51.42
	SHELBY	14	11	20	68	1	114	7.91	64.37
	WARREN	64	23	59	182	5	333	9.1	47.35
	AREA OFFICE	4	0	6	17	1	28	0	0
	* AREA TOTAL *	1,631	590	1,753	8,347	962	13,283	5.59	45.52
AREA 3	BOLLINGER	36	0	8	100	11	155	11.45	49.3
	BUTLER	105	36	70	553	18	782	10.21	76.02
	CAPE GIRARDEAU	71	7	39	406	65	588	4.45	36.84
	CARTER	23	12	10	72	0	117	13.4	68.14
	CRAWFORD	55	5	50	321	31	462	9.16	76.97
	DENT	39	6	15	192	13	265	10.39	70.61
	DUNKLIN	124	52	102	382	12	672	14.28	77.37
	HOWELL	96	35	52	595	33	811	10.27	86.75
	IRON	6	3	19	128	5	161	2.04	54.63
	MADISON	37	16	19	103	1	176	12.41	59.04
	MISSISSIPPI	36	8	22	133	5	204	9.27	52.51
	NEW MADRID	9	6	13	254	8	290	1.53	49.31
	OREGON	15	23	26	73	9	146	6.14	59.74

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AREA	COUNTY	PROBABLE CAUSE	UNSUB.- PSI	UNSUB.	FA	OTHER	TOTAL	CHILDREN PER THOUSAND	
								PROBABLE CAUSE	TOTAL REPORTED
AREA 3	PEMISCOT	24	13	29	355	6	427	3.54	63.04
	PERRY	14	2	11	113	10	150	2.83	30.37
	REYNOLDS	7	4	7	83	0	101	4.09	59.06
	RIPLEY	20	19	19	176	9	243	5.26	63.96
	ST FRANCOIS	96	31	109	739	54	1,029	6.84	73.27
	STE GENEVIEVE	14	3	28	159	3	207	2.95	43.59
	SCOTT	106	24	88	460	24	702	9.18	60.81
	SHANNON	51	8	29	121	7	216	23.27	98.54
	STODDARD	53	12	52	246	19	382	7.28	52.45
	WASHINGTON	80	4	70	317	26	497	11.83	73.52
	WAYNE	19	5	20	197	6	247	6.32	82.2
	AREA OFFICE	2	0	1	9	6	18	0	0
	* AREA TOTAL *	1,138	334	908	6,287	381	9,048	7.91	62.91
AREA 4	BARRY	88	15	83	441	33	660	10.4	77.99
	BARTON	26	5	17	158	16	222	7.91	67.56
	BATES	39	21	123	103	10	296	9.28	70.43
	BENTON	20	5	11	145	8	189	5.45	51.46
	CAMDEN	56	6	7	338	29	436	7.7	59.92
	CEDAR	36	6	43	102	13	200	11.41	63.39
	CHRISTIAN	138	22	132	315	47	654	9.58	45.39
	DADE	13	1	18	76	1	109	6.48	54.34
	DALLAS	25	5	13	160	42	245	5.87	57.53
	DOUGLAS	38	3	30	87	4	162	11.78	50.23
	GREENE	731	141	973	1,620	385	3,850	14.26	75.1
	HENRY	34	4	38	311	8	395	6.55	76.15
	HICKORY	17	4	13	35	3	72	9.98	42.28
	JASPER	262	74	279	1,486	227	2,328	10.29	91.44
	LACLEDE	72	7	32	363	8	482	8.61	57.62
	LAWRENCE	49	15	47	444	103	658	5.43	72.98
	MCDONALD	82	3	33	321	11	450	14.71	80.7
	MARIES	12	2	12	71	6	103	5.54	47.53
	MILLER	66	20	61	329	40	516	10.79	84.38
	MONITEAU	5	2	4	119	2	132	1.35	35.71
	MORGAN	58	2	49	236	18	363	13.39	83.83
	NEWTON	135	34	112	639	66	986	10.39	75.87
	OZARK	35	2	30	49	3	119	15.4	52.38
	PHELPS	111	38	128	329	18	624	12.1	68
	POLK	55	13	57	260	16	401	8.73	63.67
	PULASKI	127	21	100	379	37	664	11.16	58.34
	ST CLAIR	21	0	28	73	2	124	9.79	57.78
	STONE	100	13	66	190	43	412	16.94	69.81
	TANEY	72	61	101	403	10	647	9.46	85.03
	TEXAS	76	10	58	237	55	436	12.92	74.12
	VERNON	67	13	45	291	17	433	13.08	84.55
	WEBSTER	51	26	84	259	1	421	6.01	49.59
	WRIGHT	118	27	39	191	11	386	20.99	68.67
	AREA OFFICE	3	1	9	7	4	24	0	0
	* AREA TOTAL *	2,838	622	2,875	10,567	1,297	18,199	10.93	70.07
AREA 5	JACKSON	1,323	234	1,460	7,216	1,005	11,238	7.91	67.19
	AREA OFFICE	1	0	0	5	1	7	0	0
	* AREA TOTAL *	1,324	234	1,460	7,221	1,006	11,245	7.92	67.23
AREA 6	ST LOUIS CITY	619	123	582	5,766	801	7,891	6.94	88.45
	AREA OFFICE	0	0	1	12	0	13	0	0
	* AREA TOTAL *	619	123	583	5,778	801	7,904	6.94	88.59
AREA 7	ST LOUIS COUNTY	614	160	767	4,858	615	7,014	2.57	29.37
	AREA OFFICE	0	0	1	3	2	6	0	0
	* AREA TOTAL *	614	160	768	4,861	617	7,020	2.57	29.4
OTHER	OUT HOME INV	312	11	2,035	0	63	2,421	0	0
	OUT OF STATE	0	0	0	0	78	78	0	0
	* AREA TOTAL *	312	11	2,035	0	141	2,499	0	0
STATE TOTAL		9,854	2,379	11,761	49,863	5,836	79,693	7.04	56.94

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Population data is based on the 1990 Census: Summary File 3, July 1992. Missouri population through age 17. U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census.

Appendix C.

2000 Family Assessment Incidents by Area, County and Conclusion

AREA	COUNTY	SERVICE NEEDED		SERVICE NOT NEEDED		NON- COOPERATIVE		TOTAL
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	
AREA 1	ANDREW	35	40.7	47	54.7	4	4.7	86
	ATCHISON	15	40.5	20	54.1	2	5.4	37
	BUCHANAN	220	31	468	65.9	22	3.1	710
	CALDWELL	40	52.6	30	39.5	6	7.9	76
	CARROLL	10	14.3	58	82.9	2	2.9	70
	CASS	150	35.7	253	60.2	17	4	420
	CHARITON	15	42.9	17	48.6	3	8.6	35
	CLAY	167	21.1	604	76.3	21	2.7	792
	CLINTON	43	41.3	54	51.9	7	6.7	104
	COOPER	18	28.1	44	68.8	2	3.1	64
	DAVIESS	8	28.6	16	57.1	4	14.3	28
	DE KALB	16	44.4	20	55.6	0	0	36
	GENTRY	14	43.8	18	56.3	0	0	32
	GRUNDY	25	34.7	46	63.9	1	1.4	72
	HARRISON	26	54.2	19	39.6	3	6.3	48
	HOLT	12	36.4	19	57.6	2	6.1	33
	HOWARD	14	41.2	19	55.9	1	2.9	34
	JOHNSON	72	30.5	163	69.1	1	0.4	236
	LAFAYETTE	39	32.5	74	61.7	7	5.8	120
	LINN	34	35.4	55	57.3	7	7.3	96
	LIVINGSTON	11	19.3	44	77.2	2	3.5	57
	MERCER	6	46.2	7	53.8	0	0	13
	NODAWAY	24	27.6	63	72.4	0	0	87
	PETTIS	83	27.3	208	68.4	13	4.3	304
	PLATTE	101	33.9	187	62.8	10	3.4	298
	PUTNAM	8	24.2	18	54.5	7	21.2	33
	RANDOLPH	21	25.6	55	67.1	6	7.3	82
	RAY	35	23.2	112	74.2	4	2.6	151
	SALINE	33	17.6	151	80.3	4	2.1	188
	SULLIVAN	9	20.9	33	76.7	1	2.3	43
	WORTH	7	53.8	6	46.2	0	0	13
	AREA OFFICE	0	0	1	100	0	0	1
	SITE TOTAL	1,311	29.8	2,929	66.6	159	3.6	4,399
AREA 2	ADAIR	43	43	53	53	4	4	100
	AUDRAIN	49	41.5	68	57.6	1	0.8	118
	BOONE	223	36.8	315	52	68	11.2	606
	CALLAWAY	110	37.3	184	62.4	1	0.3	295
	CLARK	9	26.5	25	73.5	0	0	34
	COLE	73	30.4	157	65.4	10	4.2	240
	FRANKLIN	248	41.8	317	53.4	29	4.9	594
	GASCONADE	18	26.9	48	71.6	1	1.5	67
	JEFFERSON	496	39.7	718	57.5	34	2.7	1,248
	KNOX	10	45.5	11	50	1	4.5	22
	LEWIS	19	41.3	27	58.7	0	0	46
	LINCOLN	54	26	150	72.1	4	1.9	208
	MACON	11	17.2	52	81.3	1	1.6	64
	MARION	69	31.4	134	60.9	17	7.7	220
	MONROE	24	54.5	20	45.5	0	0	44
	MONTGOMERY	57	54.3	42	40	6	5.7	105
	OSAGE	10	27.8	26	72.2	0	0	36
	PIKE	16	28.6	39	69.6	1	1.8	56
	RALLS	5	20.8	18	75	1	4.2	24
	ST CHARLES	295	27.4	759	70.5	23	2.1	1,077
	SCHUYLER	3	14.3	18	85.7	0	0	21
	SCOTLAND	2	9.5	19	90.5	0	0	21
	SHELBY	8	18.6	35	81.4	0	0	43
	WARREN	71	55	51	39.5	7	5.4	129
	AREA OFFICE	3	27.3	8	72.7	0	0	11
	SITE TOTAL	1,926	35.5	3,294	60.7	209	3.8	5,429
AREA 3	BOLLINGER	28	44.4	31	49.2	4	6.3	63
	BUTLER	133	38.7	196	57	15	4.4	344
	CAPE GIRARDEAU	93	36.5	160	62.7	2	0.8	255
	CARTER	27	60	17	37.8	1	2.2	45
	CRAWFORD	65	33.5	119	61.3	10	5.2	194
	DENT	26	22.6	87	75.7	2	1.7	115
	DUNKLIN	96	39.8	140	58.1	5	2.1	241
	HOWELL	172	47.9	182	50.7	5	1.4	359
	IRON	19	25	55	72.4	2	2.6	76
	MADISON	35	50.7	33	47.8	1	1.4	69
	MISSISSIPPI	28	32.6	55	64	3	3.5	86
	NEW MADRID	64	44.4	80	55.6	0	0	144
	OREGON	29	65.9	15	34.1	0	0	44

Appendix C. (continued)
2000 Family Assessment Incidents by Area, County and Conclusion

AREA	COUNTY	SERVICE NEEDED		SERVICE NOT NEEDED		NON-COOPERATIVE		TOTAL
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	
AREA 3	PEMISCOT	80	39.8	112	55.7	9	4.5	201
	PERRY	29	35.8	47	58	5	6.2	81
	REYNOLDS	9	18	40	80	1	2	50
	RIPLEY	21	20	82	78.1	2	1.9	105
	ST FRANCOIS	130	27.1	340	70.8	10	2.1	480
	STE GENEVIEVE	48	43.2	61	55	2	1.8	111
	SCOTT	92	33.1	185	66.5	1	0.4	278
	SHANNON	23	33.3	43	62.3	3	4.3	69
	STODDARD	45	28.1	109	68.1	6	3.8	160
	WASHINGTON	48	27	129	72.5	1	0.6	178
	WAYNE	61	48	65	51.2	1	0.8	127
	AREA OFFICE	2	33.3	4	66.7	0	0	6
	SITE TOTAL	1,403	36.2	2,387	61.5	91	2.3	3,881
AREA 4	BARRY	55	21.5	192	75	9	3.5	256
	BARTON	40	43.5	45	48.9	7	7.6	92
	BATES	18	28.6	34	54	11	17.5	63
	BENTON	32	36.4	54	61.4	2	2.3	88
	CAMDEN	117	51.1	99	43.2	13	5.7	229
	CEDAR	19	32.2	38	64.4	2	3.4	59
	CHRISTIAN	67	33	122	60.1	14	6.9	203
	DADE	11	22.4	38	77.6	0	0	49
	DALLAS	44	41.1	58	54.2	5	4.7	107
	DOUGLAS	28	48.3	28	48.3	2	3.4	58
	GREENE	212	19.8	827	77.3	31	2.9	1,070
	HENRY	52	26.5	135	68.9	9	4.6	196
	HICKORY	9	34.6	17	65.4	0	0	26
	JASPER	453	49.4	408	44.5	56	6.1	917
	LACLEDE	50	22	177	78	0	0	227
	LAWRENCE	61	22.5	196	72.3	14	5.2	271
	MCDONALD	58	29	137	68.5	5	2.5	200
	MARIES	22	52.4	19	45.2	1	2.4	42
	MILLER	46	21.7	160	75.5	6	2.8	212
	MONITEAU	16	24.6	45	69.2	4	6.2	65
	MORGAN	42	30	93	66.4	5	3.6	140
	NEWTON	238	60.9	144	36.8	9	2.3	391
	OZARK	8	21.1	30	78.9	0	0	38
	PHELPS	46	19.9	179	77.5	6	2.6	231
	POLK	49	29.5	112	67.5	5	3	166
	PULASKI	75	30.9	165	67.9	3	1.2	243
	ST CLAIR	11	24.4	32	71.1	2	4.4	45
	STONE	34	30.6	73	65.8	4	3.6	111
	TANEY	119	46.9	133	52.4	2	0.8	254
	TEXAS	37	25	109	73.6	2	1.4	148
	VERNON	39	20.5	146	76.8	5	2.6	190
	WEBSTER	77	46.7	82	49.7	6	3.6	165
	WRIGHT	38	30.9	83	67.5	2	1.6	123
	AREA OFFICE	2	40	3	60	0	0	5
	SITE TOTAL	2,225	33.3	4,213	63.1	242	3.6	6,680
AREA 5	JACKSON	1,927	46.6	2,012	48.7	192	4.6	4,131
	AREA OFFICE	1	33.3	2	66.7	0	0	3
	SITE TOTAL	1,928	46.6	2,014	48.7	192	4.6	4,134
AREA 6	ST LOUIS CITY	1,368	43.4	1,655	52.5	127	4	3,150
	AREA OFFICE	6	54.5	5	45.5	0	0	11
	SITE TOTAL	1,374	43.5	1,660	52.5	127	4	3,161
AREA 7	ST LOUIS COUNTY	1,754	53.6	1,374	42	146	4.5	3,274
	AREA OFFICE	0	0	2	100	0	0	2
	SITE TOTAL	1,754	53.5	1,376	42	146	4.5	3,276
STATE TOTAL		11,921	38.5	17,873	57.7	1,166	3.8	30,960

Note: Services Needed includes Services Needed-Linked Initial 30 Days and Services Needed-Family Declined.

AppendixD.
2000 Family Assessment Children by Area, County and Conclusion

AREA	COUNTY	SERVICE NEEDED		SERVICE NOT NEEDED		NON- COOPERATIVE		TOTAL
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	
AREA 1	ANDREW	56	44.1	67	52.8	4	3.1	127
	ATCHISON	22	37.3	35	59.3	2	3.4	59
	BUCHANAN	375	32.4	744	64.3	38	3.3	1,157
	CALDWELL	73	54.9	51	38.3	9	6.8	133
	CARROLL	13	11.1	101	86.3	3	2.6	117
	CASS	229	36.3	379	60.1	23	3.6	631
	CHARITON	31	50.8	24	39.3	6	9.8	61
	CLAY	249	21.4	884	76	30	2.6	1,163
	CLINTON	64	39.5	89	54.9	9	5.6	162
	COOPER	21	24.1	61	70.1	5	5.7	87
	DAVIESS	10	22.7	29	65.9	5	11.4	44
	DE KALB	29	43.9	37	56.1	0	0	66
	GENTRY	29	48.3	31	51.7	0	0	60
	GRUNDY	38	34.5	71	64.5	1	0.9	110
	HARRISON	40	58	26	37.7	3	4.3	69
	HOLT	22	43.1	27	52.9	2	3.9	51
	HOWARD	27	47.4	29	50.9	1	1.8	57
	JOHNSON	118	32.3	246	67.4	1	0.3	365
	LAFAYETTE	54	29.2	121	65.4	10	5.4	185
	LINN	65	36.9	98	55.7	13	7.4	176
	LIVINGSTON	14	17.5	63	78.8	3	3.8	80
	MERCER	12	50	12	50	0	0	24
	NODAWAY	41	31.8	88	68.2	0	0	129
	PETTIS	120	24.5	351	71.8	18	3.7	489
	PLATTE	145	35.7	250	61.6	11	2.7	406
	PUTNAM	16	29.6	26	48.1	12	22.2	54
	RANDOLPH	27	22.5	85	70.8	8	6.7	120
	RAY	58	25.8	163	72.4	4	1.8	225
	SALINE	55	17.9	248	80.5	5	1.6	308
	SULLIVAN	18	25.7	51	72.9	1	1.4	70
	WORTH	8	53.3	7	46.7	0	0	15
	AREA OFFICE	0	0	2	100	0	0	2
	* AREA TOTAL *	2,079	30.6	4,496	66.1	227	3.3	6,802
AREA 2	ADAIR	66	43.1	81	52.9	6	3.9	153
	AUDRAIN	76	41.8	105	57.7	1	0.5	182
	BOONE	340	36.1	492	52.3	109	11.6	941
	CALLAWAY	171	35.5	310	64.3	1	0.2	482
	CLARK	18	31	40	69	0	0	58
	COLE	118	31	250	65.6	13	3.4	381
	FRANKLIN	370	41.8	472	53.3	43	4.9	885
	GASCONADE	30	29.4	71	69.6	1	1	102
	JEFFERSON	759	40.2	1,074	56.9	53	2.8	1,886
	KNOX	15	42.9	19	54.3	1	2.9	35
	LEWIS	38	46.3	44	53.7	0	0	82
	LINCOLN	87	26	242	72.5	5	1.5	334
	MACON	14	15.6	74	82.2	2	2.2	90
	MARION	103	29.7	215	62	29	8.4	347
	MONROE	43	59.7	29	40.3	0	0	72
	MONTGOMERY	100	56.2	70	39.3	8	4.5	178
	OSAGE	15	30.6	34	69.4	0	0	49
	PIKE	21	26.6	57	72.2	1	1.3	79
	RALLS	8	20	29	72.5	3	7.5	40
	ST CHARLES	455	27.9	1,149	70.4	27	1.7	1,631
	SCHUYLER	5	15.2	28	84.8	0	0	33
	SCOTLAND	3	7.5	37	92.5	0	0	40
	SHELBY	11	16.2	57	83.8	0	0	68
	WARREN	99	54.4	74	40.7	9	4.9	182
	AREA OFFICE	6	35.3	11	64.7	0	0	17
	* AREA TOTAL *	2,971	35.6	5,064	60.7	312	3.7	8,347
AREA 3	BOLLINGER	44	44	50	50	6	6	100
	BUTLER	234	42.3	302	54.6	17	3.1	553
	CAPE GIRARDEAU	151	37.2	253	62.3	2	0.5	406
	CARTER	50	69.4	21	29.2	1	1.4	72
	CRAWFORD	102	31.8	199	62	20	6.2	321
	DENT	40	20.8	150	78.1	2	1	192
	DUNKLIN	145	38	225	58.9	12	3.1	382
	HOWELL	312	52.4	277	46.6	6	1	595
	IRON	31	24.2	92	71.9	5	3.9	128
	MADISON	57	55.3	45	43.7	1	1	103
	MISSISSIPPI	46	34.6	84	63.2	3	2.3	133
	NEW MADRID	119	46.9	135	53.1	0	0	254
	OREGON	40	54.8	33	45.2	0	0	73

Appendix D. (continued)
2000 Family Assessment Children by Area, County and Conclusion

AREA	COUNTY	SERVICE NEEDED		SERVICE NOT NEEDED		NON-COOPERATIVE		TOTAL
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	
AREA 3	PEMISCOT	152	42.8	184	51.8	19	5.4	355
	PERRY	41	36.3	67	59.3	5	4.4	113
	REYNOLDS	18	21.7	64	77.1	1	1.2	83
	RIPLEY	33	18.8	139	79	4	2.3	176
	ST FRANCOIS	180	24.4	544	73.6	15	2	739
	STE GENEVIEVE	63	39.6	93	58.5	3	1.9	159
	SCOTT	153	33.3	306	66.5	1	0.2	460
	SHANNON	40	33.1	74	61.2	7	5.8	121
	STODDARD	65	26.4	172	69.9	9	3.7	246
	WASHINGTON	95	30	221	69.7	1	0.3	317
	WAYNE	106	53.8	90	45.7	1	0.5	197
	AREA OFFICE	4	44.4	5	55.6	0	0	9
	* AREA TOTAL *	2,321	36.9	3,825	60.8	141	2.2	6,287
AREA 4	BARRY	85	19.3	342	77.6	14	3.2	441
	BARTON	78	49.4	69	43.7	11	7	158
	BATES	25	24.3	57	55.3	21	20.4	103
	BENTON	57	39.3	85	58.6	3	2.1	145
	CAMDEN	190	56.2	131	38.8	17	5	338
	CEDAR	35	34.3	65	63.7	2	2	102
	CHRISTIAN	108	34.3	189	60	18	5.7	315
	DADE	16	21.1	60	78.9	0	0	76
	DALLAS	56	35	96	60	8	5	160
	DOUGLAS	37	42.5	47	54	3	3.4	87
	GREENE	340	21	1,229	75.9	51	3.1	1,620
	HENRY	81	26	215	69.1	15	4.8	311
	HICKORY	12	34.3	23	65.7	0	0	35
	JASPER	722	48.6	664	44.7	100	6.7	1,486
	LACLEDE	84	23.1	279	76.9	0	0	363
	LAWRENCE	106	23.9	319	71.8	19	4.3	444
	MCDONALD	76	23.7	235	73.2	10	3.1	321
	MARIES	37	52.1	33	46.5	1	1.4	71
	MILLER	67	20.4	254	77.2	8	2.4	329
	MONITEAU	35	29.4	77	64.7	7	5.9	119
	MORGAN	70	29.7	159	67.4	7	3	236
	NEWTON	383	59.9	244	38.2	12	1.9	639
	OZARK	12	24.5	37	75.5	0	0	49
	PHELPS	58	17.6	259	78.7	12	3.6	329
	POLK	71	27.3	180	69.2	9	3.5	260
	PULASKI	120	31.7	252	66.5	7	1.8	379
	ST CLAIR	19	26	51	69.9	3	4.1	73
	STONE	74	38.9	111	58.4	5	2.6	190
	TANEY	175	43.4	224	55.6	4	1	403
	TEXAS	61	25.7	174	73.4	2	0.8	237
	VERNON	55	18.9	228	78.4	8	2.7	291
	WEBSTER	119	45.9	128	49.4	12	4.6	259
	WRIGHT	60	31.4	128	67	3	1.6	191
	AREA OFFICE	4	57.1	3	42.9	0	0	7
	* AREA TOTAL *	3,528	33.4	6,647	62.9	392	3.7	10,567
AREA 5	JACKSON	3,278	45.4	3,629	50.3	309	4.3	7,216
	AREA OFFICE	2	40	3	60	0	0	5
	* AREA TOTAL *	3,280	45.4	3,632	50.3	309	4.3	7,221
AREA 6	ST LOUIS CITY	2,510	43.5	3,038	52.7	218	3.8	5,766
	AREA OFFICE	6	50	6	50	0	0	12
	* AREA TOTAL *	2,516	43.5	3,044	52.7	218	3.8	5,778
AREA 7	ST LOUIS COUNTY	2,665	54.9	1,994	41	199	4.1	4,858
	AREA OFFICE	0	0	3	100	0	0	3
	* AREA TOTAL *	2,665	54.8	1,997	41.1	199	4.1	4,861
STATE TOTAL		19,360	38.8	28,705	57.6	1,798	3.6	49,863

Note: Services Needed includes Services Needed-Linked Initial 30 Days and Services Needed-Family Declined.

Appendix E.
2000 Probable Cause Incidents by Area, County and Category of Abuse/Neglect

AREA	COUNTY	PHYSICAL ABUSE		NEGLECT		EMOTIONAL MALTREATMENT	
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
AREA 1	ANDREW	7	50	4	28.57	2	14.29
	ATCHISON	0	0	1	50	0	0
	BUCHANAN	59	45.38	44	33.85	2	1.54
	CALDWELL	5	50	2	20	2	20
	CARROLL	6	19.35	19	61.29	4	12.9
	CASS	15	18.75	31	38.75	0	0
	CHARITON	1	16.67	2	33.33	0	0
	CLAY	61	30.5	60	30	4	2
	CLINTON	8	34.78	10	43.48	0	0
	COOPER	3	23.08	5	38.46	1	7.69
	DAVIESS	5	45.45	2	18.18	0	0
	DE KALB	1	25	1	25	1	25
	GENTRY	1	14.29	2	28.57	0	0
	GRUNDY	2	22.22	5	55.56	0	0
	HARRISON	5	50	3	30	1	10
	HOLT	0	0	1	33.33	0	0
	HOWARD	4	50	1	12.5	0	0
	JOHNSON	19	39.58	15	31.25	2	4.17
	LAFAYETTE	18	31.03	13	22.41	3	5.17
	LINN	4	36.36	3	27.27	0	0
	LIVINGSTON	4	25	4	25	0	0
	NODAWAY	2	28.57	1	14.29	0	0
	PETTIS	20	27.4	27	36.99	1	1.37
	PLATTE	10	24.39	19	46.34	4	9.76
	PUTNAM	2	25	4	50	0	0
	RANDOLPH	27	36.99	23	31.51	2	2.74
	RAY	7	25	9	32.14	1	3.57
	SALINE	14	41.18	10	29.41	4	11.76
	SULLIVAN	5	83.33	0	0	0	0
	WORTH	0	0	0	0	0	0
	AREA OFFICE	1	50	0	0	0	0
	* AREA TOTAL *	316	32.64	321	33.16	34	3.51
AREA 2	ADAIR	12	24.49	26	53.06	6	12.24
	AUDRAIN	15	25	18	30	5	8.33
	BOONE	51	42.15	21	17.36	0	0
	CALLAWAY	22	47.83	11	23.91	2	4.35
	CLARK	0	0	3	50	0	0
	COLE	20	22.47	41	46.07	5	5.62
	FRANKLIN	17	15.45	54	49.09	7	6.36
	GASCONADE	8	25.81	9	29.03	2	6.45
	JEFFERSON	39	29.55	47	35.61	10	7.58
	KNOX	3	23.08	5	38.46	2	15.38
	LEWIS	8	34.78	11	47.83	3	13.04
	LINCOLN	10	20	26	52	0	0
	MACON	9	37.5	11	45.83	3	12.5
	MARION	11	28.21	11	28.21	1	2.56
	MONROE	3	50	1	16.67	2	33.33
	MONTGOMERY	2	10.53	7	36.84	1	5.26
	OSAGE	3	37.5	3	37.5	1	12.5
	PIKE	5	14.29	12	34.29	2	5.71
	RALLS	0	0	2	66.67	0	0
	ST CHARLES	31	17.32	85	47.49	6	3.35
	SCHUYLER	3	75	1	25	0	0
	SCOTLAND	1	9.09	2	18.18	1	9.09
	SHELBY	2	16.67	1	8.33	2	16.67
	WARREN	14	35.9	22	56.41	0	0
	AREA OFFICE	3	75	1	25	1	25
	* AREA TOTAL *	292	26.24	431	38.72	62	5.57
AREA 3	BOLLINGER	6	28.57	12	57.14	1	4.76
	BUTLER	8	13.33	31	51.67	4	6.67
	CAPE GIRARDEAU	12	22.64	15	28.3	1	1.89
	CARTER	3	15.79	9	47.37	0	0
	CRAWFORD	5	12.82	11	28.21	1	2.56
	DENT	4	16	11	44	2	8
	DUNKLIN	28	34.15	38	46.34	2	2.44
	HOWELL	15	24.19	20	32.26	5	8.06
	IRON	1	25	2	50	0	0
	MADISON	9	39.13	10	43.48	1	4.35
	MISSISSIPPI	4	16.67	12	50	0	0
	NEW MADRID	1	12.5	2	25	0	0
	OREGON	4	44.44	4	44.44	1	11.11

Appendix E. (continued)
2000 Probable Cause Incidents by Area, County and Category of Abuse/Neglect

AREA	COUNTY	MEDICAL NEGLECT		EDUCATIONAL NEGLECT		SEXUAL MALTREATMENT		TOTAL PROBABLE CAUSE INCIDENTS
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	
AREA 1	ANDREW	0	0	1	7.14	2	14.29	14
	ATCHISON	0	0	0	0	2	100	2
	BUCHANAN	5	3.85	6	4.62	26	20	130
	CALDWELL	1	10	1	10	3	30	10
	CARROLL	3	9.68	1	3.23	4	12.9	31
	CASS	4	5	2	2.5	38	47.5	80
	CHARITON	0	0	0	0	4	66.67	6
	CLAY	0	0	1	0.5	59	29.5	200
	CLINTON	0	0	1	4.35	2	8.7	23
	COOPER	2	15.38	1	7.69	3	23.08	13
	DAVIESS	1	9.09	1	9.09	3	27.27	11
	DE KALB	1	25	0	0	1	25	4
	GENTRY	0	0	0	0	4	57.14	7
	GRUNDY	0	0	1	11.11	2	22.22	9
	HARRISON	1	10	1	10	3	30	10
	HOLT	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
	HOWARD	1	12.5	2	25	1	12.5	8
	JOHNSON	1	2.08	0	0	17	35.42	48
	LAFAYETTE	0	0	1	1.72	17	29.31	58
	LINN	1	9.09	0	0	5	45.45	11
	LIVINGSTON	1	6.25	0	0	9	56.25	16
	NODAWAY	0	0	0	0	5	71.43	7
	PETTIS	2	2.74	1	1.37	26	35.62	73
	PLATTE	2	4.88	0	0	11	26.83	41
	PUTNAM	0	0	0	0	4	50	8
	RANDOLPH	3	4.11	3	4.11	17	23.29	73
	RAY	2	7.14	1	3.57	12	42.86	28
	SALINE	4	11.76	0	0	8	23.53	34
	SULLIVAN	0	0	0	0	1	16.67	6
	WORTH	0	0	0	0	2	100	2
	AREA OFFICE	0	0	0	0	1	50	2
	* AREA TOTAL *	35	3.62	25	2.58	292	30.17	968
AREA 2	ADAIR	2	4.08	2	4.08	9	18.37	49
	AUDRAIN	2	3.33	4	6.67	13	21.67	60
	BOONE	2	1.65	3	2.48	37	30.58	121
	CALLAWAY	0	0	1	2.17	9	19.57	46
	CLARK	0	0	0	0	3	50	6
	COLE	1	1.12	4	4.49	19	21.35	89
	FRANKLIN	2	1.82	8	7.27	21	19.09	110
	GASCONADE	3	9.68	6	19.35	7	22.58	31
	JEFFERSON	4	3.03	0	0	64	48.48	132
	KNOX	2	15.38	0	0	3	23.08	13
	LEWIS	1	4.35	0	0	2	8.7	23
	LINCOLN	1	2	1	2	15	30	50
	MACON	2	8.33	0	0	2	8.33	24
	MARION	1	2.56	5	12.82	10	25.64	39
	MONROE	1	16.67	0	0	3	50	6
	MONTGOMERY	1	5.26	1	5.26	4	21.05	19
	OSAGE	0	0	0	0	1	12.5	8
	PIKE	2	5.71	7	20	8	22.86	35
	RALLS	0	0	1	33.33	0	0	3
	ST CHARLES	4	2.23	3	1.68	56	31.28	179
	SCHUYLER	0	0	0	0	1	25	4
	SCOTLAND	0	0	0	0	5	45.45	11
	SHELBY	2	16.67	2	16.67	4	33.33	12
	WARREN	0	0	1	2.56	8	20.51	39
	AREA OFFICE	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
	* AREA TOTAL *	33	2.96	49	4.4	304	27.31	1,113
AREA 3	BOLLINGER	1	4.76	0	0	6	28.57	21
	BUTLER	3	5	4	6.67	20	33.33	60
	CAPE GIRARDEAU	3	5.66	2	3.77	30	56.6	53
	CARTER	1	5.26	1	5.26	5	26.32	19
	CRAWFORD	1	2.56	2	5.13	15	38.46	39
	DENT	0	0	1	4	8	32	25
	DUNKLIN	4	4.88	3	3.66	19	23.17	82
	HOWELL	1	1.61	3	4.84	25	40.32	62
	IRON	0	0	0	0	1	25	4
	MADISON	0	0	3	13.04	8	34.78	23
	MISSISSIPPI	2	8.33	1	4.17	8	33.33	24
	NEW MADRID	1	12.5	0	0	4	50	8
	OREGON	2	22.22	0	0	2	22.22	9

Appendix E. (continued)
2000 Probable Cause Incidents by Area, County and Category of Abuse/Neglect

AREA	COUNTY	PHYSICAL ABUSE		NEGLECT		EMOTIONAL MALTREATMENT	
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
AREA 3	PEMISCOT	2	15.38	2	15.38	0	0
	PERRY	6	42.86	0	0	0	0
	REYNOLDS	1	20	1	20	0	0
	RIPLEY	5	27.78	5	27.78	2	11.11
	ST FRANCOIS	19	26.03	22	30.14	1	1.37
	STE GENEVIEVE	1	11.11	6	66.67	0	0
	SCOTT	17	22.37	22	28.95	7	9.21
	SHANNON	11	40.74	13	48.15	1	3.7
	STODDARD	6	23.08	10	38.46	0	0
	WASHINGTON	16	32.65	23	46.94	10	20.41
	WAYNE	3	23.08	3	23.08	0	0
	* AREA TOTAL *	187	24.87	284	37.77	39	5.19
AREA 4	BARRY	12	16.9	10	14.08	2	2.82
	BARTON	2	11.11	6	33.33	3	16.67
	BATES	9	31.03	10	34.48	2	6.9
	BENTON	1	6.67	6	40	2	13.33
	CAMDEN	12	27.27	18	40.91	4	9.09
	CEDAR	9	36	10	40	3	12
	CHRISTIAN	27	29.67	30	32.97	2	2.2
	DADE	4	36.36	2	18.18	0	0
	DALLAS	3	18.75	6	37.5	0	0
	DOUGLAS	4	17.39	7	30.43	2	8.7
	GREENE	105	21.21	219	44.24	23	4.65
	HENRY	7	25.93	8	29.63	3	11.11
	HICKORY	3	23.08	6	46.15	0	0
	JASPER	62	31.31	46	23.23	5	2.53
	LACLEDE	8	18.18	14	31.82	1	2.27
	LAWRENCE	4	12.5	11	34.38	1	3.13
	MCDONALD	14	23.73	27	45.76	1	1.69
	MARIES	5	55.56	4	44.44	0	0
	MILLER	16	35.56	14	31.11	1	2.22
	MONITEAU	2	40	0	0	0	0
	MORGAN	12	27.27	14	31.82	1	2.27
	NEWTON	25	25.25	27	27.27	8	8.08
	OZARK	3	15	10	50	0	0
	PHELPS	10	14.08	27	38.03	1	1.41
	POLK	9	23.68	11	28.95	0	0
	PULASKI	31	38.75	34	42.5	11	13.75
	ST CLAIR	3	21.43	5	35.71	3	21.43
	STONE	26	38.81	23	34.33	7	10.45
	TANEY	9	16.36	30	54.55	2	3.64
	TEXAS	10	20.83	18	37.5	2	4.17
	VERNON	13	23.64	16	29.09	4	7.27
	WEBSTER	12	30.77	19	48.72	2	5.13
	WRIGHT	17	20.48	41	49.4	9	10.84
	AREA OFFICE	0	0	1	33.33	0	0
	* AREA TOTAL *	489	24.62	730	36.76	105	5.29
AREA 5	JACKSON	324	34.99	266	28.73	29	3.13
	AREA OFFICE	1	100	0	0	0	0
	* AREA TOTAL *	325	35.06	266	28.69	29	3.13
AREA 6	ST LOUIS CITY	168	37.42	130	28.95	12	2.67
	* AREA TOTAL *	168	37.42	130	28.95	12	2.67
AREA 7	ST LOUIS COUNTY	207	43.76	137	28.96	14	2.96
	* AREA TOTAL *	207	43.76	137	28.96	14	2.96
OTHER	AREA OFFICE	0	0	0	0	0	0
	OUT HOME INV	86	42.57	62	30.69	2	0.99
	* AREA TOTAL *	86	42.36	62	30.54	2	0.99
STATE TOTAL		2,070	30.13	2,361	34.36	297	4.32

Appendix E. (continued)
2000 Probable Cause Incidents by Area, County and Category of Abuse/Neglect

AREA	COUNTY	MEDICAL NEGLECT		EDUCATIONAL NEGLECT		SEXUAL MALTREATMENT		TOTAL PROBABLE CAUSE INCIDENTS
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	
AREA 3	PEMISCOT	1	7.69	0	0	9	69.23	13
	PERRY	0	0	0	0	7	50	14
	REYNOLDS	0	0	0	0	3	60	5
	RIPLEY	1	5.56	3	16.67	10	55.56	18
	ST FRANCOIS	3	4.11	2	2.74	28	38.36	73
	STE GENEVIEVE	1	11.11	0	0	2	22.22	9
	SCOTT	9	11.84	9	11.84	18	23.68	76
	SHANNON	1	3.7	0	0	8	29.63	27
	STODDARD	2	7.69	1	3.85	9	34.62	26
	WASHINGTON	2	4.08	0	0	18	36.73	49
	WAYNE	1	7.69	0	0	9	69.23	13
	* AREA TOTAL *	40	5.32	35	4.65	272	36.17	752
AREA 4	BARRY	2	2.82	0	0	44	61.97	71
	BARTON	0	0	0	0	9	50	18
	BATES	1	3.45	0	0	8	27.59	29
	BENTON	1	6.67	1	6.67	5	33.33	15
	CAMDEN	0	0	1	2.27	16	36.36	44
	CEDAR	0	0	3	12	6	24	25
	CHRISTIAN	2	2.2	1	1.1	27	29.67	91
	DADE	0	0	1	9.09	2	18.18	11
	DALLAS	0	0	0	0	9	56.25	16
	DOUGLAS	0	0	1	4.35	8	34.78	23
	GREENE	21	4.24	12	2.42	93	18.79	495
	HENRY	2	7.41	1	3.7	11	40.74	27
	HICKORY	1	7.69	0	0	3	23.08	13
	JASPER	1	0.51	1	0.51	92	46.46	198
	LACLEDE	2	4.55	1	2.27	23	52.27	44
	LAWRENCE	0	0	2	6.25	11	34.38	32
	MCDONALD	1	1.69	0	0	29	49.15	59
	MARIES	0	0	1	11.11	1	11.11	9
	MILLER	0	0	0	0	15	33.33	45
	MONITEAU	0	0	0	0	3	60	5
	MORGAN	2	4.55	0	0	12	27.27	44
	NEWTON	3	3.03	3	3.03	54	54.55	99
	OZARK	1	5	0	0	9	45	20
	PHELPS	1	1.41	4	5.63	29	40.85	71
	POLK	0	0	2	5.26	18	47.37	38
	PULASKI	1	1.25	2	2.5	18	22.5	80
	ST CLAIR	1	7.14	2	14.29	3	21.43	14
	STONE	2	2.99	1	1.49	15	22.39	67
	TANEY	2	3.64	1	1.82	9	16.36	55
	TEXAS	2	4.17	3	6.25	13	27.08	48
	VERNON	2	3.64	1	1.82	27	49.09	55
	WEBSTER	0	0	0	0	14	35.9	39
	WRIGHT	6	7.23	5	6.02	12	14.46	83
	AREA OFFICE	0	0	0	0	2	66.67	3
	* AREA TOTAL *	57	2.87	50	2.52	650	32.73	1,986
AREA 5	JACKSON	14	1.51	13	1.4	259	27.97	926
	AREA OFFICE	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
	* AREA TOTAL *	14	1.51	13	1.4	259	27.94	927
AREA 6	ST LOUIS CITY	34	7.57	11	2.45	158	35.19	449
	* AREA TOTAL *	34	7.57	11	2.45	158	35.19	449
AREA 7	ST LOUIS COUNTY	7	1.48	1	0.21	146	30.87	473
	* AREA TOTAL *	7	1.48	1	0.21	146	30.87	473
OTHER	AREA OFFICE	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
	OUT HOME INV	4	1.98	0	0	39	19.31	202
	* AREA TOTAL *	4	1.97	0	0	39	19.21	203
STATE TOTAL		224	3.26	184	2.68	2,120	30.85	6,871

Percent is the percentage of total probable cause incidents. Percent total is greater than 100 because a probable cause incident may be assigned up to thirty-one categories of abuse/neglect.

AppendixF.
2000 Probable Cause Children by Area, County and Category of Abuse/Neglect

AREA	COUNTY	PHYSICAL ABUSE		NEGLECT		EMOTIONAL MALTREATMENT	
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
AREA 1	ANDREW	9	50	8	44.44	3	16.67
	ATCHISON	0	0	1	50	0	0
	BUCHANAN	79	44.13	75	41.9	3	1.68
	CALDWELL	6	54.55	3	27.27	3	27.27
	CARROLL	7	11.86	39	66.1	7	11.86
	CASS	21	18.1	56	48.28	0	0
	CHARITON	1	10	6	60	0	0
	CLAY	66	25.29	102	39.08	5	1.92
	CLINTON	8	26.67	17	56.67	0	0
	COOPER	3	11.54	12	46.15	1	3.85
	DAVISS	5	33.33	3	20	0	0
	DE KALB	1	20	1	20	1	20
	GENTRY	1	11.11	3	33.33	0	0
	GRUNDY	2	9.52	14	66.67	0	0
	HARRISON	6	42.86	6	42.86	1	7.14
	HOLT	0	0	3	60	0	0
	HOWARD	5	55.56	1	11.11	0	0
	JOHNSON	26	36.62	30	42.25	4	5.63
	LAFAYETTE	19	23.75	25	31.25	4	5
	LINN	4	25	6	37.5	0	0
	LIVINGSTON	4	15.38	11	42.31	0	0
	NODAWAY	2	25	2	25	0	0
	PETTIS	26	23.85	49	44.95	1	0.92
	PLATTE	10	17.86	32	57.14	4	7.14
	PUTNAM	2	20	6	60	0	0
	RANDOLPH	32	27.83	47	40.87	3	2.61
	RAY	8	21.05	15	39.47	1	2.63
	SALINE	17	36.96	15	32.61	9	19.57
	SULLIVAN	7	87.5	0	0	0	0
	WORTH	0	0	0	0	0	0
	AREA OFFICE	1	33.33	0	0	0	0
	* AREA TOTAL *	378	27.43	588	42.67	50	3.63
AREA 2	ADAIR	12	15.79	51	67.11	13	17.11
	AUDRAIN	17	20.24	34	40.48	6	7.14
	BOONE	55	35.48	39	25.16	0	0
	CALLAWAY	26	40.63	22	34.38	5	7.81
	CLARK	0	0	5	62.5	0	0
	COLE	24	16.11	85	57.05	7	4.7
	FRANKLIN	18	11.18	94	58.39	8	4.97
	GASCONADE	10	20.83	14	29.17	5	10.42
	JEFFERSON	46	27.22	71	42.01	16	9.47
	KNOX	4	23.53	8	47.06	2	11.76
	LEWIS	11	28.95	19	50	5	13.16
	LINCOLN	11	15.71	41	58.57	0	0
	MACON	9	23.68	22	57.89	4	10.53
	MARION	15	24.59	25	40.98	2	3.28
	MONROE	4	50	2	25	2	25
	MONTGOMERY	2	7.69	10	38.46	1	3.85
	OSAGE	3	25	5	41.67	3	25
	PIKE	5	10.42	20	41.67	3	6.25
	RALLS	0	0	3	60	0	0
	ST CHARLES	34	11.72	165	56.9	12	4.14
	SCHUYLER	5	71.43	1	14.29	0	0
	SCOTLAND	1	6.67	4	26.67	2	13.33
	SHELBY	2	14.29	2	14.29	2	14.29
	WARREN	18	28.13	45	70.31	0	0
	AREA OFFICE	3	75	1	25	1	25
	* AREA TOTAL *	335	20.54	788	48.31	99	6.07
AREA 3	BOLLINGER	7	19.44	26	72.22	1	2.78
	BUTLER	12	11.43	65	61.9	7	6.67
	CAPE GIRARDEAU	19	26.76	27	38.03	1	1.41
	CARTER	3	13.04	13	56.52	0	0
	CRAWFORD	7	12.73	18	32.73	1	1.82
	DENT	4	10.26	23	58.97	3	7.69
	DUNKLIN	34	27.42	72	58.06	2	1.61
	HOWELL	23	23.96	37	38.54	7	7.29
	IRON	2	33.33	3	50	0	0
	MADISON	13	35.14	18	48.65	3	8.11
	MISSISSIPPI	5	13.89	22	61.11	0	0
	NEW MADRID	1	11.11	3	33.33	0	0
	OREGON	9	60	6	40	3	20

Appendix F. (continued)
2000 Probable Cause Children by Area, County and Category of Abuse/Neglect

AREA	COUNTY	MEDICAL NEGLECT		EDUCATIONAL NEGLECT		SEXUAL MALTREATMENT		TOTAL PROBABLE CAUSE CHILDREN
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	
AREA 1	ANDREW	0	0	2	11.11	2	11.11	18
	ATCHISON	0	0	0	0	2	100	2
	BUCHANAN	5	2.79	6	3.35	29	16.2	179
	CALDWELL	1	9.09	1	9.09	4	36.36	11
	CARROLL	3	5.08	1	1.69	7	11.86	59
	CASS	5	4.31	2	1.72	43	37.07	116
	CHARITON	0	0	0	0	4	40	10
	CLAY	0	0	2	0.77	61	23.37	261
	CLINTON	0	0	1	3.33	4	13.33	30
	COOPER	3	11.54	4	15.38	4	15.38	26
	DAVIESS	1	6.67	3	20	3	20	15
	DE KALB	2	40	0	0	1	20	5
	ENTRY	0	0	0	0	5	55.56	9
	GRUNDY	0	0	2	9.52	3	14.29	21
	HARRISON	3	21.43	4	28.57	3	21.43	14
	HOLT	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
	HOWARD	1	11.11	2	22.22	1	11.11	9
	JOHNSON	1	1.41	0	0	18	25.35	71
	LAFAYETTE	0	0	2	2.5	20	25	80
	LINN	1	6.25	0	0	6	37.5	16
	LIVINGSTON	2	7.69	0	0	11	42.31	26
	NODAWAY	0	0	0	0	6	75	8
	PETTIS	5	4.59	2	1.83	32	29.36	109
	PLATTE	2	3.57	0	0	13	23.21	56
	PUTNAM	0	0	0	0	4	40	10
	RANDOLPH	4	3.48	6	5.22	21	18.26	115
	RAY	2	5.26	1	2.63	15	39.47	38
	SALINE	4	8.7	0	0	8	17.39	46
	SULLIVAN	0	0	0	0	1	12.5	8
	WORTH	0	0	0	0	2	100	2
	AREA OFFICE	0	0	0	0	2	66.67	3
	* AREA TOTAL *	45	3.27	41	2.98	335	24.31	1,378
AREA 2	ADAIR	2	2.63	2	2.63	9	11.84	76
	AUDRAIN	2	2.38	4	4.76	13	15.48	84
	BOONE	2	1.29	3	1.94	40	25.81	155
	CALLAWAY	0	0	1	1.56	12	18.75	64
	CLARK	0	0	0	0	3	37.5	8
	COLE	1	0.67	8	5.37	22	14.77	149
	FRANKLIN	2	1.24	15	9.32	27	16.77	161
	GASCONADE	3	6.25	9	18.75	11	22.92	48
	JEFFERSON	4	2.37	0	0	72	42.6	169
	KNOX	3	17.65	0	0	3	17.65	17
	LEWIS	1	2.63	0	0	3	7.89	38
	LINCOLN	1	1.43	3	4.29	16	22.86	70
	MACON	2	5.26	0	0	2	5.26	38
	MARION	1	1.64	6	9.84	14	22.95	61
	MONROE	2	25	0	0	3	37.5	8
	MONTGOMERY	1	3.85	1	3.85	6	23.08	26
	OSAGE	0	0	0	0	1	8.33	12
	PIKE	2	4.17	8	16.67	11	22.92	48
	RALLS	0	0	2	40	0	0	5
	ST CHARLES	4	1.38	4	1.38	67	23.1	290
	SCHUYLER	0	0	0	0	1	14.29	7
	SCOTLAND	0	0	0	0	5	33.33	15
	SHELBY	3	21.43	2	14.29	4	28.57	14
	WARREN	0	0	1	1.56	8	12.5	64
	AREA OFFICE	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
	* AREA TOTAL *	36	2.21	69	4.23	353	21.64	1,631
AREA 3	BOLLINGER	1	2.78	0	0	6	16.67	36
	BUTLER	3	2.86	4	3.81	26	24.76	105
	CAPE GIRARDEAU	4	5.63	2	2.82	31	43.66	71
	CARTER	1	4.35	1	4.35	5	21.74	23
	CRAWFORD	1	1.82	4	7.27	19	34.55	55
	DENT	0	0	1	2.56	9	23.08	39
	DUNKLIN	4	3.23	5	4.03	22	17.74	124
	HOWELL	2	2.08	4	4.17	30	31.25	96
	IRON	0	0	0	0	1	16.67	6
	MADISON	0	0	3	8.11	14	37.84	37
	MISSISSIPPI	2	5.56	2	5.56	8	22.22	36
	NEW MADRID	1	11.11	0	0	4	44.44	9
	OREGON	2	13.33	0	0	4	26.67	15

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AREA	COUNTY	PHYSICAL ABUSE		NEGLECT		EMOTIONAL MALTREATMENT	
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
AREA 3	PEMISCOT	3	12.5	5	20.83	0	0
	PERRY	6	42.86	0	0	0	0
	REYNOLDS	1	14.29	3	42.86	0	0
	RIPLEY	5	25	7	35	2	10
	ST FRANCOIS	21	21.88	38	39.58	1	1.04
	STE GENEVIEVE	1	7.14	11	78.57	0	0
	SCOTT	20	18.87	36	33.96	10	9.43
	SHANNON	19	37.25	21	41.18	4	7.84
	STODDARD	9	16.98	29	54.72	0	0
	WASHINGTON	24	30	38	47.5	24	30
	WAYNE	4	21.05	4	21.05	0	0
	* AREA TOTAL *	252	22.18	525	46.21	69	6.07
AREA 4	BARRY	13	14.77	16	18.18	6	6.82
	BARTON	2	7.69	13	50	10	38.46
	BATES	9	23.08	17	43.59	3	7.69
	BENTON	1	5	7	35	2	10
	CAMDEN	13	23.21	24	42.86	5	8.93
	CEDAR	11	30.56	17	47.22	5	13.89
	CHRISTIAN	35	25.36	59	42.75	3	2.17
	DADE	4	30.77	4	30.77	0	0
	DALLAS	5	20	11	44	0	0
	DOUGLAS	4	10.53	14	36.84	4	10.53
	GREENE	121	16.55	376	51.44	29	3.97
	HENRY	8	23.53	14	41.18	3	8.82
	HICKORY	3	17.65	7	41.18	0	0
	JASPER	75	28.63	70	26.72	7	2.67
	LACLEDE	9	12.5	31	43.06	3	4.17
	LAWRENCE	4	8.16	19	38.78	1	2.04
	MCDONALD	15	18.29	38	46.34	3	3.66
	MARIES	5	41.67	7	58.33	0	0
	MILLER	19	28.79	27	40.91	1	1.52
	MONITEAU	2	40	0	0	0	0
	MORGAN	15	25.86	24	41.38	2	3.45
	NEWTON	28	20.74	54	40	9	6.67
	OZARK	3	8.57	22	62.86	0	0
	PHELPS	12	10.81	55	49.55	2	1.8
	POLK	11	20	17	30.91	0	0
	PULASKI	40	31.5	66	51.97	16	12.6
	ST CLAIR	5	23.81	8	38.1	5	23.81
	STONE	35	35	42	42	16	16
	TANEY	9	12.5	43	59.72	2	2.78
	TEXAS	10	13.16	36	47.37	4	5.26
	VERNON	15	22.39	23	34.33	4	5.97
	WEBSTER	16	31.37	30	58.82	2	3.92
	WRIGHT	18	15.25	64	54.24	13	11.02
	AREA OFFICE	0	0	1	33.33	0	0
	* AREA TOTAL *	575	20.26	1,256	44.26	160	5.64
AREA 5	JACKSON	418	31.59	451	34.09	40	3.02
	AREA OFFICE	1	100	0	0	0	0
	* AREA TOTAL *	419	31.65	451	34.06	40	3.02
AREA 6	ST LOUIS CITY	201	32.47	230	37.16	20	
	* AREA TOTAL *	201	32.47	230	37.16	20	3.23
AREA 7	ST LOUIS COUNTY	236	38.44	224	36.48	16	2.61
	* AREA TOTAL *	236	38.44	224	36.48	16	2.61
OTHER	AREA OFFICE	0	0	0	0	0	0
	OUT HOME INV	102	32.69	138	44.23	2	0.64
	* AREA TOTAL *	102	32.48	138	43.95	2	0.64
STATE TOTAL		2,498	25.35	4,200	42.62	456	4.63

Appendix F. (continued)
2000 Probable Cause Children by Area, County and Category of Abuse/Neglect

AREA	COUNTY	MEDICAL NEGLECT		EDUCATIONAL NEGLECT		SEXUAL MALTREATMENT		TOTAL PROBABLE CAUSE CHILDREN
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	
AREA 3	PEMISCOT	1	4.17	0	0	17	70.83	24
	PERRY	0	0	0	0	7	50	14
	REYNOLDS	0	0	0	0	5	71.43	7
	RIPLEY	1	5	5	25	10	50	20
	ST FRANCOIS	5	5.21	4	4.17	29	30.21	96
	STE GENEVIEVE	2	14.29	0	0	2	14.29	14
	SCOTT	10	9.43	12	11.32	24	22.64	106
	SHANNON	1	1.96	0	0	9	17.65	51
	STODDARD	2	3.77	4	7.55	12	22.64	53
	WASHINGTON	2	2.5	0	0	23	28.75	80
	WAYNE	1	5.26	0	0	14	73.68	19
	* AREA TOTAL *	46	4.05	51	4.49	331	29.14	1,136
AREA 4	BARRY	2	2.27	0	0	49	55.68	88
	BARTON	0	0	0	0	11	42.31	26
	BATES	1	2.56	0	0	10	25.64	39
	BENTON	1	5	4	20	5	25	20
	CAMDEN	0	0	3	5.36	18	32.14	56
	CEDAR	0	0	5	13.89	7	19.44	36
	CHRISTIAN	2	1.45	3	2.17	32	23.19	138
	DADE	0	0	1	7.69	2	15.38	13
	DALLAS	0	0	0	0	13	52	25
	DOUGLAS	0	0	1	2.63	11	28.95	38
	GREENE	21	2.87	16	2.19	109	14.91	731
	HENRY	2	5.88	2	5.88	11	32.35	34
	HICKORY	1	5.88	0	0	4	23.53	17
	JASPER	1	0.38	1	0.38	110	41.98	262
	LACLEDE	2	2.78	3	4.17	30	41.67	72
	LAWRENCE	0	0	4	8.16	13	26.53	49
	MCDONALD	2	2.44	0	0	32	39.02	82
	MARIES	0	0	2	16.67	1	8.33	12
	MILLER	0	0	0	0	19	28.79	66
	MONITEAU	0	0	0	0	3	60	5
	MORGAN	2	3.45	0	0	12	20.69	58
	NEWTON	3	2.22	3	2.22	61	45.19	135
	OZARK	1	2.86	0	0	15	42.86	35
	PHELPS	6	5.41	7	6.31	34	30.63	111
	POLK	0	0	3	5.45	24	43.64	55
	PULASKI	1	0.79	3	2.36	21	16.54	127
	ST CLAIR	1	4.76	3	14.29	3	14.29	21
	STONE	2	2	3	3	18	18	100
	TANEY	2	2.78	2	2.78	10	13.89	72
	TEXAS	2	2.63	5	6.58	17	22.37	76
	VERNON	2	2.99	1	1.49	29	43.28	67
	WEBSTER	0	0	0	0	16	31.37	51
	WRIGHT	7	5.93	6	5.08	13	11.02	118
	AREA OFFICE	0	0	0	0	2	66.67	3
	* AREA TOTAL *	64	2.26	81	2.85	765	26.96	2,838
AREA 5	JACKSON	19	1.44	28	2.12	296	22.37	1,323
	AREA OFFICE	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
	* AREA TOTAL *	19	1.44	28	2.11	296	22.36	1,324
AREA 6	ST LOUIS CITY	46	7.43	18	2.91	181	29.24	619
	* AREA TOTAL *	46	7.43	18	2.91	181	29.24	619
AREA 7	ST LOUIS COUNTY	7	1.14	2	0.33	169	27.52	614
	* AREA TOTAL *	7	1.14	2	0.33	169	27.52	614
OTHER	AREA OFFICE	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
	OUT HOME INV	4	1.28	0	0	48	15.38	312
	* AREA TOTAL *	4	1.27	0	0	48	15.29	314
STATE TOTAL		267	2.71	290	2.94	2,478	25.15	9,854

Percent is the percentage of total probable cause children. Percent total is greater than 100 because a child may be found probable cause for up to thirty-one categories of abuse/neglect.

Appendix G.
2000 Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect Fatalities by Area and County

AREA	COUNTY	FATALITY
AREA 1	CLAY	1
	DAVISS	1
	JOHNSON	4
	PLATTE	1
	* AREA TOTAL *	7
AREA 2	BOONE	1
	COLE	1
	FRANKLIN	1
	WARREN	1
	* AREA TOTAL *	4
AREA 4	GREENE	2
	HENRY	1
	JASPER	1
	MARIES	1
	MILLER	1
	NEWTON	2
	PHELPS	1
	PULASKI	1
	STONE	1
	TANEY	1
	* AREA TOTAL *	12
AREA 5	JACKSON	3
	* AREA TOTAL *	3
AREA 6	ST LOUIS CITY	5
	* AREA TOTAL *	5
AREA 7	ST LOUIS COUNTY	2
	* AREA TOTAL *	2
OTHER	OUT HOME INV	2
	* AREA TOTAL *	2
STATE TOTAL		35

Appendix H.
Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect, 1996-1999 (corrected)

• **Probable Cause Children by Category of Abuse/Neglect, Age, Sex, and Race**

Characteristic	Probable Cause				Physical Abuse				Neglect				Sexual Maltreatment			
	1996	1997	1998	1999	1996	1997	1998	1999	1996	1997	1998	1999	1996	1997	1998	1999
Age of Child																
<1	900	871	740	514	173	196	175	145	580	577	484	307	7	4	9	11
1	860	770	674	477	134	132	131	105	601	530	447	316	12	9	19	16
2	985	849	659	519	167	149	111	126	650	553	441	318	58	50	48	34
3	1,082	973	694	506	183	167	116	106	644	589	424	288	120	120	94	97
4	1,123	982	728	591	216	176	125	102	622	557	399	300	155	159	137	153
5	1,183	1,082	842	574	190	205	162	142	658	580	438	256	161	163	139	124
6	1,289	1,167	872	582	227	227	165	121	623	564	408	244	183	174	145	147
7	1,156	1,169	931	621	172	209	173	118	558	528	444	266	157	165	157	152
8	1,102	981	874	598	188	188	174	105	494	469	391	271	153	162	151	144
9	937	968	816	562	158	193	163	135	417	448	356	252	159	174	152	146
10	966	904	775	532	168	160	149	119	414	413	311	201	168	150	168	155
11	947	848	718	537	170	155	145	106	378	331	304	202	186	175	149	169
12	931	918	717	507	209	183	127	120	335	319	265	184	174	203	181	153
13	1,044	947	755	561	204	206	175	128	351	315	248	180	251	219	192	190
14	1,065	939	708	622	225	201	167	137	342	296	240	187	239	232	174	221
15	880	807	667	498	187	200	158	132	279	263	243	147	192	174	158	184
16	502	503	447	313	143	160	123	88	180	190	156	111	136	143	148	120
17	152	172	144	130	32	54	42	30	61	58	49	39	45	57	52	66
Unknown	41	35	28	28	0	0	2	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0
	17,145	15,885	12,789	9,272	3,146	3,161	2,583	2,066	8,188	7,580	6,048	4,070	2,557	2,534	2,273	2,282
Sex of Child																
Male	8,008	7,439	5,893	4,065	1,714	1,720	1,441	1,123	4,143	3,839	3,036	1,997	534	537	480	485
Female	9,132	8,445	6,892	5,206	1,432	1,441	1,142	943	4,045	3,741	3,012	2,073	2,023	1,997	1,793	1,797
Unknown	5	1	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	17,145	15,885	12,789	9,272	3,146	3,161	2,583	2,066	8,188	7,580	6,048	4,070	2,557	2,534	2,273	2,282
Race of Child																
White	11,637	11,179	9,114	6,749	2,115	2,051	1,719	1,332	5,371	5,296	4,265	2,996	2,118	2,005	1,811	1,844
Black	5,327	4,529	3,521	2,422	995	1,064	830	703	2,733	2,209	1,718	1,036	414	502	444	420
Asian	26	37	28	31	8	13	11	10	10	17	14	15	6	1	1	3
Native American	57	42	19	20	6	10	6	7	28	17	4	8	6	8	4	7
Other	0	2	8	9	0	0	0	1	0	1	2	4	0	0	0	0
Unknown	98	96	99	41	22	23	17	13	46	40	45	11	13	18	13	8
	17,145	15,885	12,789	9,272	3,146	3,161	2,583	2,066	8,188	7,580	6,048	4,070	2,557	2,534	2,273	2,282

• **Probable Cause Fatalities by Category of Abuse/Neglect ***

Category of Abuse/Neglect	1996		1997		1998		1999	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Physical Abuse	21	48.8%	23	46.9%	24	64.9%	22	47.8%
Sexual Maltreatment	1	2.3%	2	4.1%	3	8.1%	0	0.0%
Neglect	26	60.5%	32	65.3%	17	45.9%	26	56.5%

* Percent of probable cause fatalities is the percentage of total probable cause fatalities.

Note: A child may be found probable cause for up to thirty-one categories of abuse/neglect.